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Wabash Plain Dealer's new office now open

The Wabash Plain Dealer's new office is now open on the second floor at 99 W. Canal St.

January Salamonie Senior Luncheon set

The monthly Salamonie Senior Luncheon will be held at noon Monday, Jan. 6 at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Anyone age 50 or older is welcome to attend. The program begins with a carry-in meal at noon. Potato soup will be provided. Guests should bring a side dish to share, a beverage and their table service. A $1 donation will be accepted. Reservations may be made by calling 260-468-2127.

Red Cross schedules blood drive opportunity for Jan. 7

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood drive opportunity from 2 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7 at the Wabash County YMCA, 500 S. Cass St.

Artists sought for Honeywell Foundation's art competition

The Honeywell Foundation's Clark Gallery will be hosting its annual 92 County Art Show from Thursday, Jan. 9 through Wednesday, Feb. 19. Entries will be accepted from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6. For complete guidelines visit www.honeywellcenter.org/92-county-art-show. A public reception for this event will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2020. For more information, contact Michele Hughes at mhughes@HoneywellFoundation.org or call the Honeywell Center Box Office at 260-563-1102.

'Death by Chocolate' auditions set; tickets on sale

The Wabash Area Community Theater's auditions for the winter comedy "Death by Chocolate" will be held on from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, in the Honeywell Center. For

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Wabash PD seeks burglary suspect

Incident occurred Monday morning at Abundant Life Properties

BY ROB BURGESS
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The Wabash Police Department (WPD) is seeking the public's assistance in identifying a suspect in an early morning burglary earlier this week.

In a Tuesday statement to the Plain Dealer, Capt. Matt A. Benson, WPD public information officer, stated Abundant Life Properties, 65 E. Hill St., was burglarized at approximately 2:14 a.m. Monday, Dec. 30, 2019.

"Wabash Police are asking for citizen's help in identifying the burglar's clothes or mask," stated Benson.

A Plain Dealer request for additional information on the burglary was not returned as of press time.

Benson stated anyone who has information about the suspect or remembers seeing anyone with matching clothing description or mask should call Wabash Police Detectives at 260-563-1112.

SUSPECT: This surveillance photo of the suspect in Monday's burglary was released by the Wabash Police Department. PROVIDED PHOTO

Celebrating the past, preparing for the future

PHOTOS BY ROB BURGESS / Plain Dealer

MAYOR: Mayor Scott Long, left, is sworn in for his second term Tuesday by Indiana Supreme Court Justice Christopher Goff, who himself served as Wabash County Superior Court judge 2005 until his appointment in 2017 by Gov. Eric Holcomb.

Tuesday's swearing-in ceremony highlights local accomplishments

BY ROB BURGESS
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From the start, Tuesday's swearing-in ceremony for elected officials at Wabash City Hall was a celebration of everything accomplished so far and a look ahead at what was left to be done.

"It happens all the time. I am asked by stakeholders across the state of Indiana, 'How is Wabash County and the city of Wabash and this community able to accomplish so much for a town and community of our size?' And I always have the same

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OFFICIALS: Each of the LaFontaine Town Officials take the oath of office Tuesday.

AWARDS: Mayor Scott Long, left, hands out awards to each of the outgoing Wabash City Council members Tuesday.

NFPA calls for prompt removal of Christmas trees

Nearly one-third of Christmas tree fires occur in Jan.

STAFF REPORT

If you're having trouble parting with your Christmas tree, here's a fact to motivate you: Nearly one-third (29 percent) of U.S. home fires that begin with Christmas trees occurs in January, according to a press release.

With this potential fire hazard in mind, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) strongly encourages everyone to remove Christmas trees from their homes promptly after the holiday season.

NFPA statistics show that Christmas tree fires are not common, but when they do occur, they're much more likely to be serious. On an annual average, one of every 52 reported home fires that began with a Christmas tree resulted in a death, compared to one death per 135 total reported home structure fires.

NFPA recommends using the local community's recycling program for tree disposal, if possible; trees should not be put in the garage or left outside. The association also offers these tips for safely removing lighting and decorations and storing them properly to ensure that they're in good condition the following season:

- Use the gripping area on the plug when unplugging electrical decorations. Never pull the cord to unplug any device from an electrical outlet, as this can harm the wire and insulation of the cord, increasing the risk for shock or electrical fire.
- As you pack up light strings, inspect each line for damage, throwing out any sets that have loose connections, broken sockets or cracked or bare wires.
- Wrap each set of lights and put them in individual plastic bags, or wrap them around a piece of cardboard.
- Store electrical decorations in a dry place away from children and pets where they will not be damaged by water or dampness.

Senior Luncheon set for Feb. 3

STAFF REPORT

The monthly Salamonie Senior Luncheon will be held at noon on Monday, Feb. 3, at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive Center, at 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, according to a press release.

Anyone age 50 or older is welcome to attend.

Upper Wabash Interpretive Services interpretive naturalist Lynnanne Fager will share her personal experiences with Indiana bald eagles.

The program begins with a carry-in meal at noon. Chicken and noodles and mashed potatoes will be provided. Guests should bring a side dish to share, a beverage and their own table service.

A $1 donation will be accepted. Reservations may be made by calling 260-468-2127.

Tri Kappa to sponsor annual Winter Gala

STAFF REPORT

Dinner, a "fun and fabulous" dessert auction, followed by dancing will be the highlights of the 14th Annual Winter Gala, sponsored by Wabash Tri Kappa, according to a press release.

The gala will take place Saturday, Feb. 1, at Heartland REMC, 250 Wedcor Ave. Doors will open at 6 p.m., and dinner will be at 6:30 p.m.

Dinner will be catered by Scott Wysong, the entertaining Auctioneer will be Chad Metzger of Metzger Auction Services, desserts will be provided by Wabash Tri Kappa members and DJ Smitty will provide music for dancing.

Tickets are $30 per person and must be purchased by Tuesday, Jan. 28. Tickets may be purchased from Tri Kappa Members or at the following locations: Wabash City Hall, 202 S. Wabash St.; Friermood Tire & Alignment, 1699 Stitt St.; and the dental office of Dr. Bing M. Fowler DDS, 1911 S. Wabash St.

Proceeds from the event go to fund scholarships for local high school students as well as support for many local charities. For more information, call Beth Miller at 260-563-1128.

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answer because it's really simple: 'We (can) come together despite our differences,'" said Christine Flohr, of Visit Wabash County, in her opening remarks. "We approach projects and programs with the attitude of, 'How can we?' Instead of, 'Why should we?'"

Swearing-in and awards

After the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Mayor Scott Long, an invocation was given by Brandon Eaton, pastor at Friends Church.

Long and City Court Judge Tim Roberts were then sworn in by Indiana Supreme Court Justice Christopher Goff, who himself served as Wabash County Superior Court judge 2005 until his appointment in 2017 by Gov. Eric Holcomb.

Judge Robert McCallen then swore in Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Frazier.

Afterward, Long presented awards to the outgoing Wabash City Council members.

"I want to thank you for what you have done," said Long. "You guys have been great servants for the city of Wabash."

Those receiving awards included:

■ Bonnie Corn, who served from Jan. 1 2012 to Nov. 26, 2019 as Councilwoman District Five.

■ Bob Greene, who served from Jan. 1, 2016 to Dec. 31, 2019 as Councilman District Three.

■ Eric Schoening, who served from Sept. 1, 2016 to Dec. 31, 2019 as Councilman District One.

■ Marc Shelley, who served from Jan. 1, 2004 to Nov. 15, 2011, and again from Jan. 1, 2016 to Dec. 31, 2019 as Councilman At Large.

Goff then swore in each of the current Wabash City Council members including District 1 Representative Mitch Figert, District 2 Representative David Monroe, District 3 Representative Terry Brewer, District 4 Representative Susan Bonfitto, District 5 Representative Doug Adams, and Members At Large Bryan Dillon and John Burnsworth.

LaFontaine town officials were sworn in next by Goff, including Clerk-Treasurer Diana Heath, and Town Board Members Lori Brane, Jay Gillespie and Ernest John Khrin.

Lagro Clerk-Treasurer Kristie Bone was then be sworn in by Goff.

Long then swore in Wabash City Schools board member Stephen Dafoe, who was appointed at their Monday, Dec. 9, 2019 meeting.

Long starts new term

In conclusion, Long gave a few remarks on the past four years and his vision for the next four. He started by thanking his department heads, including Building Department Commissioner Jim Straws, Fire Department Chief Barry Stroup, Park Department Superintendent Adam Hall, Wabash Police Department Chief Matt Bruss, Street Department Supreintendent Scott Richardson and Wastewater Department Superintendent Bob Gray.

"When I assumed office there were some things that needed to be taken care of concerning personnel actions that I addressed," said Long. "I appointed department heads that I knew would run the city departments efficiently and responsibly. They have served me well and they remain in place today. My department heads and employees run the ship that is the city of Wabash."

Continuing the nautical metaphor, Long said that though he was "considered the captain of the ship," he only made "minor course corrections as they are needed."

"I don't micromanage. It's not my style. We have a tightly run ship and we will continue to sail into a bright future for Wabash," he said.

Long then announced one change to the staff. He said he was appointing Douglas C. Lehman as his new city attorney, replacing the outgoing Randi Zimmerman. Long said he wished her well in her private practice.

Long said partnerships across the state, country and world have helped to "put the city of Wabash on the map, so to speak." He specifically cited local partnerships with Visit Wabash County; Grow Wabash County; Wabash Marketplace; the Community Foundation of Wabash County; the school corporations; Wabash County; and the towns of LaFontaine, Lagro, North Manchester and Roann.

"Looking back we have accomplished much, but there is more to accomplish," he said.

Long said he would continue to make infrastructure improvements a priority over the next four years.

"We're taking a systematic approach to mandated improvements in our sewer system and repaving streets," he said.

Long specifically cited state grant programs including Community Crossings and Local TRAX in allowing improvements to sewers and repaving streets, and building a railroad overpass "to eliminate traffic jams due to stopped trains," respectively.

Long also touted new housing, businesses and retail development including 10X Engineered Materials, a new Hampton Inn by Hilton and "numerous family-owned businesses all over our community."

"We're the envy of many in our state," said Long. "We are ready and open for business at a level higher than we have been in the past."

PHOTO BY ROB BURGESS / Plain Dealer

DEPARTMENTS: Mayor Scott Long, right, swears in each of his city department heads Tuesday.

5-Day Weather Summary

Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Scattered Snow	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Rain & Snow Possible	Partly Cloudy
35 / 25	43 / 28	41 / 29	37 / 20	30 / 24

Sun and Moon

Today's sunset ..... 5:33 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise ..... 8:12 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
1/10	1/17	1/24	2/1

Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 50% chance of scattered snow, high temperature of 35°, humidity of 75%. Northwest wind 6 to 14 mph. Snow accumulation of less than one inch possible. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 25°. West southwest wind 6 to 11 mph.

Reader wants to keep clothes in case of weight loss

Harriette Cole
Sense & Sensitivity

DEAR HARRIETTE: I have at least three sizes of clothes in my closet that represent the range of weights that I have carried over the years. My weight has gone up and down, which is why I have kept some of the clothes. But now it's getting ridiculous. I don't have room for the clothes that fit and that I want to wear because of the closets full of clothes that fit a smaller me. I'm worried that if I do eventually lose, I won't have clothing to fit my smaller body. Should I hold on to some of the smaller ones? – Outdated Wardrobe

DEAR OUTDATED WARDROBE: If you were to take a poll of women in your family, neighborhood, social clubs, house of worship – anywhere – chances are, you would find many women who have nearly identical stories. Closets swelling with clothes that don't fit is a common scenario. And yet, it usually means that people are hoarding these belongings with the hope that one day they will be able to wear them again, though that day rarely comes.

You should go through your clothes, and anything that you have not worn in the past year or so should be tossed. You can give the clothing to friends and family, charity or elsewhere, but get it out of your house. If you want to hold on to one or two treasured items, go for it. But the lion's share of items should leave your home. This will free up your space for you to live in the moment, without clutter. If and when the day arrives that you do lose weight, you will want something new to wear anyway!

DEAR HARRIETTE: I feel like I am the only one in my home who does the chores. My husband comes home and says he's tired. My children have jobs that they are supposed to do each week, but homework often preempts their duties. They come crying saying how sorry they are that they didn't get something done and then point to studying for a test or something else that got in the way. But then, it's the weekend or there's a game at school, and they are quick to want to hang out with their friends.

How can I get my family to take it seriously that all of us have to take care of our home? I work, too, but I end up cleaning up during most of the hours that I am at home. – Help at Home

DEAR HELP AT HOME: Ideally, you should corral your husband first in your effort to have full family support in doing housework. Talk to him about your concerns, and ask him to work with you to engage the whole family and get the work done in an organized way.

Make a list of duties for each person for the week. Post the list. Then call a family meeting and present the refreshed cleaning schedule. Acknowledge that homework is important and has to be done, but everyone must complete his or her tasks in order to have the privilege of hanging out with friends. Then you have to reinforce this rule. If your kids shirk their duties, do not let them go out or play video games or do whatever other distraction they enjoy. Consequences help to encourage good behavior.

Harriette Cole is a lifestylist and founder of DREAMLEAPERS, an initiative to help people access and activate their dreams. You can send questions to askharriette@harriettecole.com or c/o Andrews McMeel Syndication, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.

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the show itself, doors open at 6 p.m. and dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 6 and Saturday, March 7; and doors will open at noon and dinner is at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, March 8. Tickets are on sale now at the Charley Creek Inn reception desk. For more information, call Bruce Rovelstad at 260-330-0543 or Bev Vanderpool at 765-661-8206.

Frances Slocum Chapter of the DAR to meet

Wabash County's Frances Slocum Chapter of the Indiana Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14 at the Grandstaff Hentgen Activity Room, 1241 Manchester Ave. The program will be presented by Beverly Ferry, CEO, Living Well in Wabash County. Prospective members and guests are always welcome to attend. For more information, call Linda Thompson at 260-563-4661 or Barbara Amiss at 260-982-4376.

Low Impact Fitness classes scheduled

Fitness that is both fun and free led by Mary Jo McClelland at 9:45 a.m. every Monday and Thursday, and 3 p.m. Wednesdays at Living Well Winchester Center, 239 Bond St. There is no fee or registration required.

Cancer care advocate available every Tuesday

A cancer care advocate is available from 1 to 4 p.m. every Tuesday at the Winchester Senior Center, 239 Bond St. No appointment is needed. This service is supported by the Hope Foundation and provided by Cancer Services out of Fort Wayne.

Yoga classes scheduled on Tuesdays

Yoga for those who are intermediate to experienced levels have been scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Living Well Winchester Center, 239 Bond St. The cost is $10, and discount passes are available.

Wabash Kiwanis Club's Pancake Day returns in March

The Wabash Kiwanis Club will once again host its annual Pancake Day, which is the local service organization's largest annual fundraiser. The event will take place from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 14 at the Bruce Ingraham building at the Wabash County Fairgrounds, located just off of Gillen Avenue. Tickets will be $8 at the door and $7 in advance for those ages 13 years and older, and $5 at the door and $4 in advance for children ages 6 to 12 years. Admission for the event will be free for children 5 years and younger.

Komets game to celebrate Wabash County March 13

Wabash County will be the MVP during the third annual Wabash County Night at the Fort Wayne Komets game at 8:05 p.m. Friday, March 13 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum, 4000 Parnell Ave., Fort Wayne. While supplies last, tickets can be bought for $15 per ticket at https://groupmatics.events/event/Wabash community3 or by emailing Mitch Meinholz at mitch@komets.com or by calling 260-482-6812.

Editor's note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to news@wabashplaindealer.com no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.

THE ROXY MOVIE THEATER

Roxy 5 Showtimes for Thursday, January 3 - Thursday, January 9
All showtimes have Closed Captioning available.

Star Wars: Episode IX - The Rise of Skywalker in 2D (PG13)
Fri-Sat: 12:25, 3:25, 6:10, 6:50, 9:10, 9:55
Sun-Thurs: 12:25, 3:25, 6:10, 6:50
Mon: 6:10, 6:50
Tues: 6:10
Wed: 6:10, 6:50
Thurs: 6:10

Little Women (PG)
Fri-Sat: 12:35, 3:35, 6:30, 9:40
Sun: 12:35, 3:35, 6:30
Mon-Thurs: 6:30

Spies in Disguise (PG)
Fri-Sat: 12:45, 3:45, 6:40, 9:30
Sun: 12:45, 3:45, 6:40
Mon-Thurs: 6:40

Jumanji: The Next Level in 2D (PG13)
Fri-Sat: 1:10, 4:05, 7:05, 10:05
Sun: 1:10, 4:05, 7:05
Mon-Thurs: 7:05

Frozen II in 2D (PG)
Fri-Sun: 12:55, 3:55
Tues: 6:50
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Cash 5
07-12-16-21-27
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Cash4Life
07-30-39-44-48, Cash Ball: 4
Daily Three-Midday
8-4-9, SB: 8
Daily Three-Evening
6-3-8, SB: 9
Daily Four-Midday
7-4-1-7, SB: 8
Daily Four-Evening
7-2-8-2, SB: 9
Mega Millions
Estimated jackpot: $60 million
Powerball
Estimated jackpot: $237 million

FRIDAY'S METALS

Aluminum	.80
Copper	2.80
Lead	.86
Zinc	1.04
Gold	1,549.78
Silver	18.10
Platinum	985.32

AREA GRAIN

Estimated grain prices Friday at Indianapolis-area elevators: Corn: $4.07. Soybeans: $9.21.

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‘It’s all history now’

Pete Jones

Eighty-five years ago, stories about high school basketball often made page one of The Plain Dealer. This was the case in January 1935 when the Wabash County Tournament was revived after being suspended for two years because of the effects of The Great Depression.

There were a dozen high schools in Wabash County then, and all of them put basketball teams on the floor even though for the smallest of the schools that meant that sometimes there were only seven or eight players on the roster. Wabash High School and Central of North Manchester, the largest schools in the county, did not take part in the tournament, so the 1935 tournament had a field of 10 teams.

High school principals decided to resurrect the tournament, which was crammed into a Friday evening slate of three games and an all-day session on Saturday

“Excitement, always prevalent during the net season in Wabash County, is reaching a new pitch with the approach of the Wabash County hardwood tournament,” shouted the PD in its announcement of the reactivated event.

As they did in those years, the principals of each of the participating schools met in the Courthouse office of the County Superintendent of Schools to conduct the drawing for the tourney. Superintendent Neil Good designated two representatives of the press to draw folded slips of paper from a hat to determine pairings for the opening round of games.

As it turned out, nearly every one of the first-round games featured traditional rivalries. Lincolnville faced off against Urbana. Somerset drew La Fontaine. And Chester played Lagro, Chippewa and Linlawn, both of which were Noble Township schools. These were paired against each other, as were Roann and Laketon, long-time rivals in their part of the county.

Tournament games were played in the Wabash High School gymnasium which was centrally located and could seat about 1,500 fans. Mind you, that’s not the Coolman Gymnasium where Wabash plays today, but it was the old gym attached to the high school itself.

Somerset’s Shamrocks, undefeated in seven games, and Roann, with a record of seven wins and two losses, entered the tournament as favorites. The Roann team, by the way, was then known as “The Firemen,” a name changed to “Indians” sometime around 1938 or 1939.

Final scores throughout the tournament were indicative of the slower and more deliberate style of play in those years. In the opening games of the tourney, Urbana defeated Lincolnville 23 to 20, Somerset edged La Fontaine 24 to 23, and Lagro stopped Chester 19 to 9. The highest-scoring game of the entire tournament saw a total of 51 points scored when Chippewa beat Linlawn, 27 to 24.

The Somerset-La Fontaine game went to sudden-death triple overtime, which ended when Verne Shroyer hit the first of two free throws.

In the second round, the two favorites met and Somerset handily extinguished the Firemen, 26 to 8. The Shamrocks took the championship game over Lagro by a 17-12 score.

The tournament showed a profit of $706 after expenses of $135,80 were deducted, so each participating school received a check for $70.60.The largest single expense was $50 paid to two officials who alternately worked the tourney’s nine games. If that account is correct, then there was only one official on the floor during each game.

Pete Jones writes a weekly column on local history for the Wabash Plain Dealer. He writes about people, places and events in and around Wabash County. Contact him by mail at 1160 Sunset Drive, Wabash, IN 46992 or by email at peteinwabash@comcast.net.

Senator tries again to ban Indiana vouchers over gay firings

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A proposal aimed at banning private schools that discriminate against gay employees and students from receiving Indiana voucher program money is being back by the state’s Republican school superintendent.

The bill filed Friday by Democratic Sen. J.D. Ford of Indianapolis comes after protests over the firings of gay staff members at two Catholic high schools in Indianapolis because they were in same-sex marriages. The proposal would prohibit private school voucher money from going to schools that discriminate over factors including sexual orientation, disability, race, gender or religion.

Ford and state schools Superintendent Jennifer McCormick argue taxpayer money shouldn’t support schools that don’t treat all students and employees equally. The voucher program distributed about $161 million for some 36,000 students attending private schools during 2018-2019, according to a state Department of Education report.

It is unlikely that the bill will advance in the Republican-dominated Legislature during this year’s session as Ford’s bill in 2019 wasn’t considered by a Senate committee and House Republicans voted down a similar proposal as well.

Voucher program advocates maintain that the state money isn’t awarded to schools, but to families who then choose the best school for their children.

DivorceCare to meet every Tuesday

DVD series includes Christian experts on divorce and recovery

STAFF REPORT

DivorceCare, a 13-week DVD series sponsored by Wabash Friends Counseling Center, features some of the nation’s foremost Christian experts on topics concerning divorce and recovery, according to a press release.

The support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Room 112 in the Wabash Friends Church, 3563 South State Road 13.

Group leader and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812 S. Wabash St. on State Road 15.

For more information, call 260-563-8453, 877-350-1658 or group leader Janet Quillen at 260-571-5235; email office@wabashfriends.org; or visit www.divorcecare.org.

No charges against ex-senator over Indiana lobbying contract

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Prosecutors have decided a former Indiana state senator won’t face criminal charges over possible violations of state lobbying laws involving his work with the state’s Department of Veterans Affairs.

A Marion County Prosecutor’s Office spokesman told The Indianapolis Star that its investigation of Republican former Sen. Allen Paul didn’t find conduct supporting criminal charges but didn’t elaborate.

The decision follows an investigation by the Star published in February showing that Paul received more than $150,000 from a contract he signed with a temp agency to push the Department of Veterans Affairs’ agenda with lawmakers from 2015 until early 2019.

Paul, who is from Richmond, signed the contract nine months after retiring from the Senate in 2014 and didn’t register as a lobbyist. It is a felony under state law for legislators to become lobbyists within a year of leaving office.

Paul denied doing anything wrong and that he acted as a consultant, not a lobbyist.

Military veteran Lisa Wilken, who filed a complaint with the state inspector general and was interviewed by the prosecutor’s office, said the decision “sends a horrible message that if you are somebody that makes laws, you can break the laws and there will be no consequences,.”

Indiana woman’s fiance among those feared dead after fishing boat sinks

BY BECKY BOHRER and MARTHA BELLISLE
Associated Press

> “I’m just praying and hoping they find him on land or something.”
>
> —Ashley Boggs of Peru, Indiana,

JUNEAU, Alaska — Five fishermen missing after a crab boat sank in the frigid waters off Alaska were feared dead after authorities called off a search for those working in the one of the most dangerous industries in the U.S.

Two other crew members were rescued after the disaster Tuesday, telling authorities they were the only ones who made it into a life raft, the Anchorage Daily News reported. They suffered hypothermia but have been released from a hospital.

The Coast Guard said it used helicopters, planes and a boat to look for the missing crew members for 20 hours before ending the search late Wednesday because they were not likely to have survived.

The agency didn’t release any details Thursday on what caused the boat to sink, saying that talking to the survivors is part of the investigation.

The boat, named the Scandies Rose, was carrying a load of crabbing pots for the start of the winter season, Dan Mattsen, a partner in the vessel managed by Seattle-Based Mattsen Management, told the Seattle Times.

Crabbing boats endure perilous conditions in Alaska waters that have been immortalized in the Discovery Channel documentary series “Deadliest Catch.” Workers face dangers like huge waves, harsh weather and massive crab pots that could crush them.

Gary Knagin of Kodiak, Alaska, the brother-in-law of the boat’s captain, Gary Cobban, told The Associated Press that he doesn’t think the five crew members will be found alive.

“We know the risks involved in this profession, and I’m not holding out hope,” said Knagin, who worked on a crab boat for 30 years in Alaska’s Bering Sea. “I’ve seen this too many times. There’s a 13-hour window in those conditions, and they passed that.”

Knagin’s wife, Gerry Cobban Knagin, wrote on Facebook that her brother and nephew, David Cobban, were not among those who had been rescued.

The boat was traveling in an area with warnings about strong winds and heavy freezing spray, said Louise Fode, a warning coordination meteorologist with the National Weather Service.

The conditions didn’t seem to worry the boat’s captain, his ex-girlfriend told the Anchorage Daily News. Jeri Lynn Smith said Gary Cobban called her in North Carolina about two hours before the boat sank to wish her a happy new year.

“When I talked to him, he told me the boat was icing and it had a list to it, but he didn’t sound alarmed. He didn’t sound scared,” Smith said. “The boat ices. The boat ices every winter. It’s just something they deal with. I didn’t worry about it.”

Ashley Boggs of Peru, Indiana, also said her fiance, Brock Rainey, called her New Year’s Eve and said the conditions were bad. She said she hasn’t given up hope.

“I’m just praying and hoping they find him on land or something,” she told AP on Thursday.

The 130-foot boat, which had left from Dutch Harbor, sent a mayday distress call, and the Coast Guard launched a rescue.

The vessel’s last known position was 170 miles southwest of Kodiak Island, near the southern tip of Alaska, and it sank about 10 p.m. Tuesday, the agency said.

Rescue crews arrived about 2 a.m. Wednesday and battled winds of more than 40 mph, 15- to 20-foot seas and visibility that was limited to 1 mile, Coast Guard Petty Officer 2nd Class Melissa McKenzie said.

“That’s rough conditions,” she said.

McKenzie said the air temperature was about 10 degrees. The estimated water temperature in the area was 43 degrees, the weather service said.

Rescuers saw a faint light in one life raft, but a medic lowered from a helicopter found it empty, the Anchorage Daily News reported. Another faint light was spotted about a half-mile away, where searchers found the two survivors, ages 38 and 34.

The men told rescuers that they were able to get into survival suits and didn’t know if the other five crew members did, the newspaper reported. The suits offer flotation and hypothermia protection.

David Otness, a retired crab fisherman in Cordova, Alaska, who spent more than 50 years in the Pacific and Bering Sea industry, said it’s dangerous work.

“It’s known for its loss,” he said. “We can count the years when that isn’t the case. It’s quite a life, but it’s a labor of love and fear and respect for the world around you.”

The sheer size of the crab pots, which weigh about 700 pounds each, can pose problems in stormy weather, Otness said. They can get covered with ice, which causes the boat to be top-heavy, he said.

“It’s a dance, a ballet that transpires,” Otness said. “Your center of gravity is so quickly disrupted.”

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health calls commercial fishing one of the country’s most dangerous occupations. It said there were 179 deaths in Alaska fisheries between 2000 and 2014, the most recent numbers available.

From 2010 to 2014, there were 66 vessel disasters in Alaska waters, including sinkings and fires, that killed 15 people, the agency said. Leading causes of fatal disasters were instability and being hit by large waves, it said.

2 veteran Indiana House members not seeking reelection

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — One of the longest-serving members of the Indiana House is among two more Republican lawmakers who’ve decided to not seek reelection this year.

Rep. David Wolkins of Warsaw says he’s decided to step down from the seat he’s held since first winning election 32 years ago in 1988. The 76-year-old Wolkins says he’s faced some health issues and that it’s time to retire after this year’s legislative session.

Wolkins has been chairman of the House Environmental Affairs Committee for several years, often frustrating activists who want tougher state anti-pollution laws.

His retirement announcement follows the same decisions by GOP House Speaker Brian Bosma, who’s will leave the Legislature after 34 years, and Republican Rep. Woody Burton of Whiteland, who was first elected with Wolkins 32 years ago.

Republican Rep. Ron Bacon of Chandler also won’t seek election again and will complete a decade representing an Evansville-area district. Bacon was previously a member of the Warrick County Council and was the county coroner.

Mayor wants Gary Community Schools to demolish abandoned buildings

GARY(AP) — The new mayor of Gary wants the city’s school corporation to demolish 10 shuttered schools amid growing concerns that they have become havens for crime.

Mayor Jerome Prince directed his building commissioner, Kenneth Williams, to hold a hearing Feb. 3 on the matter, The (Northwest Indiana) Times reported Friday.

If the hearing body determines the 10 schools are unsafe, Prince said he believes the Gary Community School Corp. will be legally required to demolish the buildings by March 5.

Peter Morikis, the school corporation’s emergency manager, said “we look forward to connecting with city officials to discuss plans for the listed properties.”

Police discovered a homicide victim inside one of the abandoned schools, Norton Elementary, in November. They have been hit by vandalism for years, and many have been targets of arson or accessed by squatters and gangs.

The financially troubled school corporation was placed under the control of a state-appointed emergency manager in 2017 after trustees repeatedly failed to match the district’s spending to its declining revenue and racked up more than $100 million in debt.

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Iran vows to respond to U.S. killing top general

BY QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA and ZEINA KARAM
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BAGHDAD — Iran vowed "harsh retaliation" for a U.S. airstrike near Baghdad's airport that killed a top Iranian general who had been the architect of its interventions across the Middle East, and the U.S. said Friday it was adding troops to the region as tensions soared in the wake of the targeted killing.

The killing of Gen. Qassem Soleimani, the head of Iran's elite Quds Force, marks a major escalation in the standoff between Washington and Iran, which has careened from one crisis to another since President Donald Trump withdrew from the 2015 nuclear deal and imposed crippling sanctions.

The targeted strike, and any retaliation by Iran, could ignite a conflict that engulfs the whole region, endangering U.S. troops in Iraq, Syria and beyond. Over the last two decades, Soleimani had assembled a network of heavily armed allies stretching all the way to southern Lebanon, on Israel's doorstep.

The United States said it was sending nearly 3,000 more Army troops to the Middle East and urged American citizens to leave Iraq "immediately" following the early morning airstrike at Baghdad's international airport that Iran's state TV said killed Soleimani and nine others. The State Department said the embassy in Baghdad, which was attacked by Iran-backed militiamen and their supporters earlier this week, is closed and all consular services have been suspended.

Around 5,200 American troops are based in Iraq to train Iraqi forces and help in the fight against Islamic State group militants. Defense officials who discussed the new troop movements spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss a decision not yet announced by the Pentagon. A Pentagon official who was not authorized to be identified said the U.S. also had placed an Army brigade on alert to fly into Lebanon to protect the American Embassy there. U.S. embassies also issued a security alert for Americans in Bahrain Kuwait and Nigeria.

The U.S. announcement about more troops being sent to the region came as Trump said Qassem Soleimani's killing was not undertaken in an effort to begin a conflict with Iran, rather "we took action last night to stop a war. We did not take action to start a war." Trump also says he does not seek regime change in Iran.

Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei warned that "harsh retaliation is waiting" for the U.S. after the airstrike, calling Soleimani the "international face of resistance." Khamenei declared three days of public mourning and appointed Maj. Gen. Esmail Ghaani, Soleimani's deputy, to replace him as head of the Quds Force.

Iranian President Hassan Rouhani called the killing a "heinous crime" and vowed his country would "take revenge." Iran twice summoned the Swiss envoy, the first time delivering a letter to pass onto the United States.

Iranian Foreign minister Mohammad Javad Zarif dubbed the U.S. attack a "cowardly terrorist action" and said Iran has the right to respond "in any method and any time." Iran also had discussed the attack with the secretary-general of the United Nations and was preparing a letter for the world body, Zarif added.

Thousands of worshippers in the Iranian capital Tehran took to the streets after Friday Muslim prayers to condemn the killing, waving posters of Soleimani and chanting "Death to deceitful America."

However, the attack could act as a deterrent for Iran and its allies to delay or restrain any potential response. Trump said targets of possible retaliation had been identified and the U.S. was prepared. Oil prices surged on news of the airstrike and markets were mixed.

The killing promised to further strain relations with Iraq's government, which is allied with both Washington and Tehran and has been deeply worried about becoming a battleground in their rivalry. Iraqi politicians close to Iran called for the country to order U.S. forces out.

The Defense Department said it killed the 62-year-old Soleimani because he "was actively developing plans to attack American diplomats and service members in Iraq and throughout the region." It also accused Soleimani of approving the orchestrated violent protests at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad.

The strike, on an access road near Baghdad's airport, was carried out Friday by an American drone, according to a U.S. official.

Soleimani had just disembarked from a plane arriving from either Syria or Lebanon, a senior Iraqi security official said. The blast tore his body to pieces along with that of Abu Mahdi al-Muhandis, deputy commander of the Iranian-backed militias in Iraq known as the Popular Mobilization Forces. A senior politician said Soleimani's body was identified by the ring he wore. Iran's state TV said Friday 10 people were killed in the airstrike, including five Revolutionary Guard members and Soleimani's son-in-law, whom he did not identify.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to reporters.

The attack comes at the start of a year in which Trump faces both a Senate trial following his impeachment by Congress and a re-election campaign. It marks a potential turning point in the Middle East and represents a drastic change for American policy toward Iran after months of tensions.

The tensions are rooted in Trump's decision in May 2018 to withdraw the U.S. from Iran's nuclear deal with world powers, struck under his predecessor, Barack Obama.

Since then, Tehran shot down a U.S. military surveillance drone and seized oil tankers. The U.S. also blames Iran for other attacks targeting tankers and a September assault on Saudi Arabia's oil industry that temporarily halved its production.

Supporters of Friday's strike said it restored U.S. deterrence power against Iran, and Trump allies were quick to praise the action. "To the Iranian government: if you want more, you will get more," South Carolina Sen. Lindsey Graham tweeted.

"Hope this is the first step to regime change in Tehran," Trump's former National Security Adviser, John Bolton, wrote in a tweet.

Others, including Democratic White House hopefuls, criticized Trump's order. Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden said Trump had "tossed a stick of dynamite into a tinderbox," saying it could leave the U.S. "on the brink of a major conflict across the Middle East."

Trump, who is vacationing at his private club in Palm Beach, Florida, said in a tweet the airstrike was ordered because Soleimani was "plotting to kill" many Americans. "He should have been taken out many years ago!" Trump tweeted.

The potential for a spiraling escalation alarmed U.S. allies and rivals alike.

"We are waking up in a more dangerous world," France's deputy minister for foreign affairs, Amelie de Montchalin, told RTL radio. The European Union warned against a "generalized flare-up of violence." Russia condemned the killing, and fellow Security Council member China said it was "highly concerned." Britain and Germany noted that Iran also bore some responsibility for escalating tensions, while Saudi Arabia urged restraint.

While Iran's conventional military has suffered under 40 years of American sanctions, Iran can strike asymmetrically in the region through its allied forces like Lebanon's Hezbollah, Iraqi militias and Yemen's Houthi rebels. Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah called on "the resistance the world over" to avenge Soleimani's killing. Frictions over oil shipments in the Gulf could also increase, and Iran's elite Revolutionary Guard has built up a ballistic missile program.

Iran's Supreme National Security Council said it in a statement Friday that it had held a special session and made "appropriate decisions" on how to respond, though it didn't reveal them.

Israeli Defense Minister Naftali Bennett held a meeting with top security officials Friday, but the Israeli military said it was not taking any extraordinary action on its northern front, other than closing a ski resort in the Golan Heights near Lebanon and Syria as a precaution.

In the United Arab Emirates, a key U.S. ally in the Gulf, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Anwar Gargash, called for "rational engagement" and a "calm approach."

Emirati political analyst Abdulkhaleq Abdullah said the U.S. strike could help restore confidence among Gulf leaders that Washington will push back against their rival Iran. But, he said, they also don't want to be caught in the middle. "Is the region ready for a sharp escalation?" he said. "We are the closest to the theater than anyone on earth."

The most immediate impact could be in Iraq. Funerals for al-Muhandis and the other slain Iraqis were set for Saturday.

Prime Minister Adel Abdul-Mahdi condemned the strike as an "aggression against Iraq." An emergency session of parliament was called for Sunday, which the deputy speaker, Hassan al-Kaabi, said would take "decisions that put an end to the U.S. presence in Iraq."

Vickey Sue Rose

July 23, 1940 - Jan. 1, 2020

Vickey Sue Rose, 79, of Bethany, Illinois, formerly of LaFontaine, Indiana, died at 1:15 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020 at her home. She was born July 23, 1940 in Andrews, Indiana to Howard and Lela (Gard) Gilbert.

Vickey married James Charles Rose in Mount Etna, Indiana on April 27, 1957; he died Nov. 1, 2007. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary. She enjoyed camping, working in the yard, feeding the birds, working puzzles, and dancing at the Moose Lodge. She was an avid George Jones fan.

She is survived by her two sons, Lawrence (Susan) Rose of Bethany, Illinois and James (Evelyn) Rose, Jr. of Wabash, Indiana, three sisters, Lora (Mike) Gilbert Gamble and Sharon Gilbert McClese, both of Andrews, and Iris Ann Gilbert White of Valparaiso, Indiana, 12 grandchildren, and 44 great grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, her daughter, Shelly Rose Johnson, infant daughter, Rebecca Rose, brother, Kevin Gilbert, and two sisters, Eunice Pulley and Genene Colpetzer.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020 at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, with David Phillips officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery. Friends may call 4 - 7 p.m., Monday, at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is St. Jude Children's Hospital.

The memorial guest book for Vickey may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Elsie Ellen Brubaker

Feb. 22, 1924 - Jan. 2, 2020

Elsie Ellen Brubaker, 95, of North Manchester, Indiana, died at 2:25 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 2, 2020 at Timbercrest Healthcare Center in North Manchester. She was born Feb. 22, 1924 in Mulberry, Indiana to Perry and Cora (Karn) Skiles.

Elsie married Donald William Brubaker in Mulberry, on Dec. 14, 1946; he died March 19, 2012. She was a homemaker and a member of the Old German Baptist Brethren Church. Elsie enjoyed quilting, and especially loved her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by three children, Rosalyn (Allan) Boocher of South Whitley, Indiana, Joe (Kim) Brubaker and Susan Applegate both of North Manchester, 7 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, brother, Junior Skiles of Mulberry, and Bonnie Lett of Rochester, Indiana. She was also preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Joyce Brubaker, foster daughter, Glenna Bowers, grandson, Troy Boocher, three brothers; Homer Skiles, Glenn Skiles, and Eldon Skiles, and three sisters; Ruth Strong, Pauline Beachler, and Catherine Cunningham.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2020 at The Old German Baptist Brethren Church, North Manchester. Burial will be in The Old German Baptist Brethren Cemetery, North Manchester. Friends may call 2 - 8 p.m., Tuesday, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Bender Chapel, 207 W Main Street, North Manchester.

The memorial guest book for Elsie may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Police: Indiana man died in Michigan after kayaking accident

NILES, Mich. (AP) — A man who died after falling from a kayak into a southwestern Michigan river during a New Year's Day excursion with friends has been identified as an Indiana man.

Niles police said Thursday that Jean Claude Mutabazi, 40, of South Bend, was pronounced dead Wednesday after being pulled from the St. Joseph River following a four-hour search. The medical examiner's office is investigating his cause of death.

Police said Mutabazi was kayaking Wednesday morning with three other men, two of whom also fell into the river and were treated at a hospital for exposure to cold.

All four men were wearing personal flotation devices. Police said Mutabazi was still wearing his when he was found trapped under a log that was stuck at the top of a dam.

Niles Fire Chief Larry Lamb said that shortly after launching their kayaks, the men apparently ran into trouble.

U.S. long watched Soleimani, but feared risks of a strike

BY ZEKE MILLER and JULIE PACE
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In 2007, U.S. commandos watched as a convoy carrying a powerful Iranian military leader made its way to northern Iraq.

It was a prime opportunity to take out Gen. Qassem Soleimani, who had been accused of aiding Shiite forces that killed thousands of American troops in Iraq. But ultimately, military leaders passed on a strike, deferring to deep concerns about the potential fallout of such a provocative attack.

"To avoid a firefight, and the contentious politics that would follow, I decided that we should monitor the caravan, not strike immediately," retired Gen. Stanley McChrystal wrote last year in Foreign Policy.

Fears about the repercussions and reverberations of a targeted killing of Soleimani persisted throughout the administrations of President George W. Bush, a Republican, and President Barack Obama, a Democrat, according to officials who served under both. Soleimani, they calculated, was just as dangerous dead and martyred as he was alive and plotting against Americans.

That approach came to an end this week when President Donald Trump authorized an airstrike against Soleimani. He was killed after his plane landed at the Baghdad airport.

Trump heralded the attack on Twitter, declaring that Soleimani "should have been taken out many years ago!"

But some former administration officials argued that despite Soleimani's role in orchestrating deadly attacks on U.S. troops, Trump's decision may ultimately put Americans in the region at heightened risk.

"Previous presidents have had the opportunity to take measures like what we saw last night but have held back because of the risks entailed and the questions that were there about where this would all lead," said Derek Chollet, an assistant secretary of defense during the Obama administration. "Unfortunately, those questions are not any clearer today."

Indeed, Trump's strike against Soleimani, the head of Iran's elite Quds Force, thrusts Washington and Tehran into uncharted territory after months of rising tensions. It's unclear how or when Iran will respond, or whether that response will pull the U.S. deeper into a military conflict abroad.

In the hours after Soleimani's death, the State Department urged American citizens to "immediately" leave Iraq and defense officials said the Pentagon was sending nearly 3,000 more troops to the region.

Previous administrations weighed concerns about Iranian retaliation as they monitored Soleimani, who kept a low profile and traveled only to countries like Iraq where the Quds Force already had strong security.

Rep. Elissa Slotkin, a Democrat from Michigan and former CIA analyst who tracked Soleimani's activities, said there was a "simple question" that prevented both the Bush and Obama administrations from targeting the Iranian leader.

"Was the strike worth the likely retaliation and the potential to pull us into a protracted conflict?" Slotkin said. "The two administrations I worked for both determined that the ultimate ends didn't justify the means."

Former Obama administration officials said discussions about taking out Soleimani never reached an operational phase. Beyond the risk of escalation with Iran, officials said they were uncertain that taking the Quds leader off the battlefield would have any impact on Tehran's regional aggression or support for terror groups.

The Obama administration also worried that killing Soleimani would undercut diplomatic efforts to forge a nuclear deal with Iran, according to one official. The U.S. and five other nations signed a nuclear accord with Tehran in 2015, but Trump withdrew from the pact after taking office.

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This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

Joshua 1:8

Letting Iowa always go first in the presidential primary is un-American

With the first-in-the-nation caucuses just one month away, the Democratic candidates are gearing up to go into all-Iowa mode. Some are in it already. By the time the race is over, the time they spend there will vastly exceed their time in other states, including the ones that come on its heels.

Several of the candidates have practically moved to Iowa. According to the Des Moines Register candidate tracker through New Year's Eve, former Rep. John Delaney of Maryland has attended 237 events in the state, followed by Sen. Amy Klobuchar of Minnesota at 156, Sen. Bernie Sanders of Vermont at 110, Sen. Cory Booker of New Jersey at 103 and Mayor Pete Buttigieg of South Bend, Indiana, at 102.

It's not hard to see why the candidates would make such a fuss over Iowa's caucuses on Feb. 3. As the first place to actually vote, the Hawkeye State can have an outsize impact. Strong showings there helped propel Georgia Gov. Jimmy Carter and Sen. Barack Obama of Illinois into the White House and George H.W. Bush, former congressman from Texas and CIA director, into the vice presidency.

From the perspective of the nation as a whole, though, letting Iowa always go first is a bad practice that forces candidates to focus disproportionately on one state's issues, politics and demographics.

Iowa is one of the least ethnically diverse states in the country. And because it holds caucus meetings, not a primary election, its electorate is even less diverse because many poorer voters often do not have the free time to participate. In 2016, Iowa's caucus electorate was 91 percent non-Hispanic white. And that was the Democrats! The Republicans hit 97 percent.

It's not that Iowa voters won't vote for a candidate of color; they twice backed Obama. But they do have somewhat different priorities, farming and ethanol among them. And economic matters are less of an immediate concern in a state with one of the lowest unemployment rates in the nation.

The Democratic field is also losing many of its minority candidates – former Housing and Urban Development Secretary Julian Castro, the only Latino candidate, dropped out Thursday. It's a development that some critics have, fairly or not, linked to the focus on Iowa and, the following week, New Hampshire.

Iowans counter that they take their civic responsibilities very seriously. We don't doubt that. But so would Arizona or North Carolina or any other state chosen to go first. A better system would involve rotating regional primaries.

Although retail-level politicking is important, the simple truth is that the candidates are spending a lot of time with voters who are not particularly representative of either the Democratic Party or the electorate as a whole. That's a good way to make people elsewhere feel less involved with their democracy.

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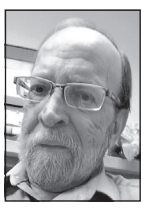
A routine police encounter: Just the way he likes them

Leo Morris



To the Fort Wayne police officer who stopped me on Bluffton Road the Saturday before Christmas: A belated thank you. I wish I had thought to say it at the time.

It's not that I was belligerent, the way some drivers are when they get pulled over. I wasn't rude or impatient, nervous or defensive. I remained relatively calm and, if I may say so, perfectly polite.

And you were not obnoxious, the way some people with unquestionable authority can be. You didn't bully or lecture me, treat me like a backward child or potential lunatic. You were informative in a reasonable, deliberate way, a consummate professional.

It was, in fact, an unremarkable encounter on an ordinary day. That alone was reason to be thankful, given that we were in the kind of situation we've always been told could have gone so wrong in so many ways.

But there was more. You provided me with a valuable service, a fact I didn't fully appreciate till about half an hour later and several miles down the road. What happened then was that the sun came up, mocking me with its obvious arrival.

I have one of those cars with many automatic systems, which I guess makes it a smart car. It figures out when to do things so the driver doesn't have to worry about them.

The windshield wipers stay still or move depending on the absence or presence of precipitation. The climate control system measures the outside temperature and knows whether to turn on the heater or air-conditioning.

And the lights have a life of their own as well, sensing daytime or nighttime and staying dormant or self-activating as the situation dictates.

Ah, but the driver still must be smarter than his car.

For the lights to work automatically, the selector switch must be set to automatic. If the driver bumps the switch or inadvertently moves it when he thinks he's doing something else, then the car will be as stupid as the driver.

Which is why I was driving without lights in the pre-dawn Saturday.

There was enough ambient light that I didn't even notice. But you did. You were right behind me and could see that my tail lights weren't working, so you pulled me over. And set me straight, and sent me on my way, the car brightly announcing its path for all to behold.

Without your intervention, I would have been a moving target for that half-hour before dawn. I don't want to sound dramatic and say you might have saved my life, but you certainly reduced the odds of my name appearing in an official crash report.

You did a little bit of serving and protecting by being smarter than both the car and its driver.

I know that the primary function of the police is to uphold the law. You monitor our behavior and take the appropriate measures if we cross the line. But there has been considerable discussion of late about the question of whether it is possible or appropriate for certain police activities to actually prevent crime rather than merely responding to it.

That's too big a debate to tackle in this short space.

And I won't push the point that your mere presence makes us safer, though I know it is so. You are a symbol of our commitment to set limits and to try to live by them. Trying to imagine your absence is to think we can have a civilization without respecting its mores and customs.

The point I want to make is narrower, on a smaller playing field where rules of the road are a microcosm of the law of the land. We accept the rules when we get on the road, and it's your job to make us honor them.

You and your colleagues are frequently and justly praised for being first responders, the ones who get to emergencies before anyone else. But surely your most valuable service is that of pre-responder, taking actions that can prevent emergencies from happening at all.

So, thank you. And may all your traffic stops be unremarkable encounters on ordinary days.

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letters to the editor

A story from a reader

(Editor's note: This letter came with the following disclaimer: "I submitted this letter to the Plain Dealer many years ago at Christmas time. I am 95 years old now. I thought you might like to print it again for some other 'Tommies' and 'Timmies' to enjoy.")

Whatever happened to baby Jesus?

My name is "Tommy" and I'm 5 years old. I have a baby brother, "Timmy."

Mommy told me that Christmas is coming, and we're both excited.

"But what does 'Christmas' mean, Mommy?" I asked.

She said it means the birthday of baby Jesus and a time to celebrate.

I hear children at school talking about Santa Claus, and presents and the reindeer and sleighs and toys, but nobody says anything about baby Jesus. Where is he?

"Well, Tommy, I'll take you for a drive the car and show you his first birthday celebration," said Mommy.

We drove to the courthouse and on the lawn, we saw an old barn with a lot of people gathered around a baby.

"Who are they, Mommy?" I asked.

"Well, the lady is Mary, the baby's mother, and there's his daddy, Joseph," said Mommy. "Then there are shepherds and angels and animals, all celebrating his birth. It is the first Christmas. Each year we celebrate another birthday with him."

I thought about what she said and when I got home and colored a few pages from my coloring book and put aside some cookies my mom had baked. They would be for Jesus' birthday.

But, I wondered where I could find baby Jesus.

When we said our prayers that night, I asked Mommy.

She knows everything.

"Close your eyes now, Tommy," she replied. "As you are ready to go to sleep, you will see the baby Jesus. Tell him how you love him and wish him a happy birthday. He will also be with you in your heart, even when you are all grown up. He will always show you the way to heaven, how to live a good life and lead you to heaven. Good night, dear Jesus, and have a happy birthday."

Rita Sweeney
Wabash

Jerry Brown for president

The entire list of Democratic candidates for president is discouraging if not outright depressing.

Joe Biden will always be Mr. Touchy Feely.

Bernie Sanders and Elizabeth Warren remind me of two ivory tower college professors way overdue for retirement.

Pete Buttigieg is running for governor of Indiana.

Amy Klobuchar needs to stay in the Senate since the legislative branch was her choice for representing Minnesota.

As for the rest of the candidates in the private sector, they need to run for the city council first and then proceed from there.

On the other hand, California recently lost the best four-term governor and Oakland the best two-term mayor in their entire history.

I am referring, of course, to Jerry Brown.

He is a man of utmost integrity with honest zeal to promote an excellent quality of life for all Americans, not just those aligned with the Democratic party.

And just as with former President Obama he can add a vice presidential candidate who specialized in foreign affairs.

Jerry, it's time to throw your hat into the ring and declare your candidacy for president of the United States.

The world and the country desperately need you to put an end to Trumpism and lead us back to a time of peace and prosperity.

Joe Bialek
Cleveland, Ohio

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Andrea Zwiebel, executive director
Kryston Henderson, market master and events specialist
Natalie Dilling, community coordinator
Wabash Marketplace

California skeleton ID'd as Japanese internee

BY BRIAN MELLEY
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A skeleton found by hikers this fall near California's second-highest peak was identified Friday as a Japanese American artist who had left the Manzanar internment camp to paint in the mountains in the waning days of World War II.

The Inyo County sheriff used DNA to identify the remains of Giichi Matsumura, who succumbed to the elements during a freak summer snow storm during a hiking trip with other members of the camp. Matsumura had apparently stopped to paint a watercolor while the other men, a group of anglers, continued toward a lake to fish.

His body wasn't found for another month and the tragedy was overshadowed in the immediate days after his Aug. 2, 1945 disappearance when the U.S. dropped the first atomic bomb, hastening Japan's surrender in the war. Matsumura was one of more than 1,800 detainees who died in the 10 prison camps in the West, though it's one of the more unusual deaths.

While his burial in the mountains was well known among members of the camp and his family, the story faded over time and the location of the gravesite in a remote boulder-strewn area 12,000 feet above sea level was lost to time.

Lori Matsumura, the granddaughter who provided the DNA sample, was surprised when Sgt. Nate Derr of the Inyo County sheriff's office contacted her to say they believed her grandfather's remains had been discovered. After all, he had been found nearly 75 years ago and buried.

"It was a bit of a rediscovery," she told The Associated Press. "We knew where he was approximately because we knew the story of what happened. So we knew he was there."

As a girl, she was haunted by a photo her grandmother showed her of the pile of stones where her grandfather was buried beneath a small marker in the remote mountains.

"Once in a great while, she would bring it out and say, 'Oh, this is all they could bring of your grandfather.' And my aunt would be, 'No, don't show her that picture,'" Matsumura said. "It did scare me. I'm like, 'Oh, my God, that's my grandfather under there.'"

Her aunt, Kazue, told her that her grandfather was known as "the ghost of Manzanar."

"To this day, it seems like he's not passed away," Kazue who died two years ago at 83, told the Manzanar National Historic Site. "It seems like he's gone someplace, because I didn't see his body."

t was by accident on Oct. 7 that Tyler Hofer and a friend stumbled upon the remains on their way to the top of Mount Williamson. The two were slightly off course on a crude route through the rocks in a basin of lakes when Hofer looked down and saw what looked like a bone.

Earlier in the day, the men had discovered a pile of bones beneath Shepherd Pass, where a herd of migrating deer had plummeted to their death two years earlier on a steep, icy slope. At first, Hofer thought the bone was more animal remains, but upon closer inspection he realized it was a human skull.

Hofer and Brandon Follin moved the rocks and found an intact skeleton with a belt around its waist and leather shoes on the feet. The arms appeared to be crossed over the chest.

Hofer posted about his finding on a Facebook forum, describing inaccurately that the skull appeared to be fractured and the shoes were the type worn by rock climbers. He suggested it was a case of foul play.

When contacted by the AP, the sheriff's office said there were no signs of a crime. They said it was a mystery, though, because they had searched records of missing reports going back decades and said no one was known to be lost in the area that would fit that description.

What officials didn't say, though, was that by the time they had retrieved the bones by helicopter, they already had a hunch it might be Matsumura.

While his story was little known, it got renewed attention when "The Manzanar Fishing Club" documentary film came out in 2012. Director Cory Shiozaki told the story about intrepid prisoners who would escape from the camp at night and slip into the mountains to fish for trout – sometimes for weeks at a time.

A segment of the film on Matsumura's death didn't make the final cut. Still, Shiozaki often addressed the tragedy at the many screenings where he spoke and the story became more broadly known.

In the final year of the war, the guard towers were no longer manned with armed soldiers and the men were able to leave the camp freely. A group of fishermen planned to hike to the chain of lakes in Williamson Bowl and Matsumura asked to tag along.

The trip leader didn't want Matsumura, 46, to join them because he was older and not in great physical shape, Shiozaki said. When Matsumura insisted, the leader relented and the group of six to 10 men headed off July 29, 1945.

At some point in the long trek, Matsumura stopped to paint a water color and said he would catch up later with the others. A freak snowstorm blew in and the men retreated to a cave.

When the weather cleared, they fruitlessly searched for Matsumura. Three later search parties from the camp also failed to find him.

During that period, his wife, Ito, worried so much that her hair turned white, according to Kazue, who was 10 at the time.

"I felt sorry for my mom, you know," Kazue told the National Park Service. "She couldn't eat or anything … She had black hair and it turned white all of a sudden."

Matsumura's decomposing remains were found a month after he was lost by hikers from the nearby town of Independence. Members from the camp then hiked back up to bury him in a mountainside grave. They brought back clippings of his hair and fingernails, a Buddhist tradition when a body can't be returned, for a ceremony at the camp.

Rather than reopen an old wound in her family's past, the finding has awakened interest in learning more about their story and time in the camp and sharing it with nephews and nieces, Lori Matsumura said.

Until she recently saw a photo of the search party, Lori Matsumura never knew her father, Masaru, had played a role in looking for his father.

Her father never talked about the experience and she now regrets not pressing him for more information. Like many who endured the hardship and humiliation of the one of the darkest chapters of U.S. history when more than 110,000 Japanese were imprisoned because of fear they would remain loyal to their ancestral homeland, Masaru Matsumura seemed bitter and rarely spoke of camp, Lori Matsumura said.

He had been close to graduating from high school when his family was sent to Manzanar. After his father's death, Masaru Matsumura had to support his mother and three siblings when they returned to Santa Monica. He had to take a job as gardener as his father had done.

Kazue Matsumura said her mother, widowed at 43, worked two or three jobs, according to the oral history she gave Manzanar.

Ito Matsumura was 102 when she died in 2005. She was buried with a lock of her husband's hair and his name on her gravestone.

Most of what Lori Matsumura knows of the camp came from her grandmother and an aunt who lived across the street from the little home where she grew up in Santa Monica.

Now that her curiosity has been sparked, Lori Matsumura has no one to ask about their experiences in camp or the impact of her grandfather's death on the family. Her father died last summer at age 94, the last of his generation.

"I wished I would have dug a little deeper and found out more stories from my dad," she said. "He didn't talk about it much. I wished I would have asked more questions."

Australian prime minister jeered in wildfire-ravaged area of country

BY TRISTAN LAVALETTE
Associated Press

PERTH, Australia — Prime Minister Scott Morrison was confronted by angry residents who cursed and insulted him Thursday as he visited a wildfire-ravaged corner of the country.

Locals in Cobargo, in New South Wales, yelled at him, made obscene gestures and called him an "idiot" and worse, criticizing him for the lack of equipment to deal with the fires in town. They jeered as his car left. In the New South Wales town of Quaama, a firefighter refused to shake hands with him.

"Every single time this area has a flood or a fire, we get nothing. If we were Sydney, if we were north coast, we would be flooded with donations with urgent emergency relief," a resident said in Cobargo.

The outpouring of anger came as authorities said 381 homes had been destroyed on the New South Wales southern coast this week. At least eight people have died this week in New South Wales and the neighboring state of Victoria.

More than 200 fires are burning in Australia's two most-populous states. Blazes have also been burning in Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania.

"I'm not surprised people are feeling very raw at the moment. And that's why I came today, to be here, to see it for myself, to offer what comfort I could," Morrison said, adding, "There is still, you know, some very dangerous days ahead. And we understand that, and that's why we're going to do everything we can to ensure they have every support they will need."

Morrison, who has also been criticized over his climate change policies and accused of putting the economy ahead of the environment, insisted that Australia is "meeting the challenge better than most countries" and "exceeding the targets we set out."

Cooler weather since Tuesday has aided firefighting and allowed people to replenish supplies, with long lines of cars forming at gas stations and supermarkets. But high temperatures and strong winds are forecast to return on Saturday, and thousands of tourists fled the country's eastern coast Thursday ahead of worsening conditions.

New South Wales authorities ordered tourists to leave a 155-mile zone. State Transport Minister Andrew Constance called it the "largest mass relocation of people out of the region that we've ever seen."

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Quick Hits

Notre Dame's TE Kmet changes mind, declares for NFL draft

SOUTH BEND (AP) — Cole Kmet is the latest Notre Dame player to give up his final year of eligibility to enter the NFL draft, changing his mind after saying in November that he intended to return.

The tight end announced his decision Thursday on Twitter, joining running back Tony Jones Jr. and safety Alohi Gilman in making themselves available for the April 23-25 draft. Quarterback Ian Book will return to Notre Dame next season.

The 6-foot-5. 250-pound Kmet, also left-handed pitcher, indicated a month ago he was looking forward to rejoining the Irish baseball team on which younger brother Casey is a freshman catcher and infielder.

Despite his early declaration to return, Kmet received a second-round grade from an NFL college advisory committee before the Camping World Bowl. He caught two passes for 33 yards in Notre Dame's victory over Iowa State in the bowl, the last a fourth-quarter, 10-yard completion along the sideline during which it appeared he twisted his knee.

Kmet broke a collarbone during the preseason, had surgery and missed Notre Dame's first two games. He finished second on the team with 43 receptions for 515 yards.

Mississippi State fires football coach

STARKVILLE, Miss. – Mississippi State fired Joe Moorhead after just two seasons Friday, making the unusual decision to dismiss a coach after a bowl game.

The Bulldogs went 14-12 under Moorhead, who was previously the offensive coordinator at Penn State. He was hired after the 2017 season when Dan Mullen left Mississippi State for Florida.

Mississippi St (6-7) made it to the postseason with a one-point win vs. Mississippi in the regular-season. The Bulldogs then lost 38-28 to Louisville in the Music City Bowl.

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HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

FILE PHOTO

SWING: Northfield's Addi Baker swings at a pitch during the Norse's game against Manchester last spring.

Baker tops list of best female athletes of year

BY JACOB RUDE
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Having officially turned over the calendars to 2020, the Wabash Plain Dealer will continue its look back to the best moments, teams and athletes of 2019 by looking at the top female athletes of the year.

5. Abby Hunter, Northfield

While only a two-sport athlete, Hunter was a standout in both softball and volleyball this season. In the center circle, Hunter amassed 101.2 innings and finished with a 2.96 ERA and a 12-5 record to earn All-County honors. At the plate, Hunter hit .400 on the year with 28 hits and 15 RBIs, both third-most on the team.

This fall, Hunter anchored the Norse volleyball team as the setter. In her junior campaign, she finished with 658 assists while serving as one of the centerpieces of Northfield's conference runner-up season. Hunter earned All-Conference honors in both sports this year.

4. MaKenna Pace, Southwood

Another two-sport athlete, Pace had a standout campaign on the diamond, a norm for the senior. Despite moving behind the plate after pitching predominantly in her first two seasons, Pace did not miss a beat, posting a .426 batting average and a .720 slugging percentage, the latter serving as the second-best mark in the conference.

In 21 games, Pace finished with 29 hits, 13 extra-base hits, 22 RBIs and 24 runs. Defensively, she finished with a .962 fielding percentage in her new role.

Sandwiching her softball campaign were a pair of seasons on the hardwood where Pace served as the main offensive threat. In her junior campaign to start the year, Pace finished the year with an average of 10.8 points per game, the best mark of her career. This winter, her average has taken a slight dip to 8.6 points per game, still the high mark on the Knights.

3. Mariah Wyatt, Wabash

A three-sport athlete, Wyatt saw success across the board in 2019. In each the 2018-19 and 2019-20 basketball seasons, Wyatt averaged at least nine points and seven rebounds as one of the main offensive threats for the Apaches.

During the spring, Wyatt was one of the few bright spots for the Apache girls' track team, winning conference titles in the shot put and discus.

The fall, though, is where Wyatt shined brightest. After a remarkable sophomore campaign on the volleyball court, Wyatt followed it up with arguably a stronger junior season, finishing the season with 314 kills, over twice as many as last season. She stayed dominant at the net defensively, finishing with 117 blocks while also adding 27 aces to her tally this season.

2. Halle Briner, Manchester

One of the only state qualifiers from the county in any sport this season, Briner's 2019 was highlighted by another impressive swimming season.

Briner advanced to the state finals in Indianapolis in both the 100-yard butterfly and the 200-yard freestyle. In the former event, she finished 25th while taking 19th in the latter, though failing to move out of the preliminaries in either event.

While swimming was the highlight of the year, it wasn't the only place Briner found success. On the tennis courts, Briner finished 17-4 at the No. 2 singles spot, helping the Squires to conference and sectional titles during the spring. In the fall, Briner was apart of a Squire cross country team that advanced the regional.

1. Addi Baker, Northfield

Baker was a standout on multiple fronts in 2019 but none more so than on the diamond. In her sophomore season, Baker posted gaudy numbers across the board, batting .588 with a .682 on-base percentage and a slugging percentage of 1.279. Over half of her 40 hits on the year went for extra bases with 12 doubles, a triple and 11 home runs, leading her to 39 RBIs on the year. Her performance in the spring earned her Wabash County Athlete of the Season.

That was followed by a dominant fall season on the volleyball court in which Baker finished with 379 kills, over 200 more than any other Norse and more than enough to earn her All-Conference honors. Behind Baker, Northfield finished runner-ups in the conference, losing to just eventual champions Maconaquah in the conference season.

On either side of those seasons were impressive basketball campaigns. To start the year, Baker was apart of a Norse side that rewrote school history in winning 25 games and capturing conference, sectional and regional titles in the process. As a starter on that team, Baker averaged 7.0 rebounds and 5.9 assists.

This winter, Baker has taken a bigger role for the Norse as the lone holdover from last year's starting lineup, averaging 11.6 points and 8.1 rebounds per game.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Tennessee scores twice late to shock Indiana, 23-22

Hoosiers can't seal deal in Gator Bowl

BY MARK LONG
AP Sports Writer

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Tennessee scored two touchdowns in a late 30-second span, using an onside kick to help erase a double-digit deficit and holding on to stun Indiana 23-22 in the Gator Bowl on Thursday night.

The Volunteers (8-5) closed out coach Jeremy Pruitt's second season with their sixth consecutive victory and won their fourth straight bowl, first since 2016.

Logan Justus missed an extra point in the third quarter that turned out to be costly and was wide right on a 52-yard field goal attempt with 2:12 remaining. Justus' kick had the distance but sailed just outside the right upright.

Tennessee punted with 1:02 remaining, but Indiana failed to get back into field goal range.

The Hoosiers (8-5) looked to be in control in the second half after scoring two touchdowns in a 1:13 spans, the second one coming on Jamar Johnson's 63-yard interception return, and adding a pair of field goals.

Indiana was up 22-9 before Tennessee scored twice in the final 5 minutes to retake the lead.

Quavaris Crouch scored on a 1-yard plunge and then fellow running back Eric Gray recovered a surprise onside kick that barely went the mandatory 10 yards. Gray scored from 16 yards out a few plays later to put the Vols on top for good.

THE TAKEAWAY

Indiana: The Hoosiers have to find a replacement for offensive coordinator Kalen DeBoer, who stayed for the bowl game after getting the head coaching job at Fresno State. DeBoer gets much of the credit for Indiana's offensive turnaround. The Hoosiers ranked second in the Big Ten in total offense. Coach Tom Allen is expected to at least consider promoting assistant head coach/running backs coach Mike Hart.

Tennessee: Jarrett Guarantano is far from guaranteed to be the team's starting quarterback next season, especially after a two-interception performance.

JENNINGS PLAYS

Tennessee receiver Jauan Jennings, who was suspended for the first half for stepping on an opponent in the regular-season finale, had to wait until the fourth quarter to touch the ball. Jennings had receptions of 22 and 5 yards, setting up the first of the two late touchdowns.

ODD CALLS

Allen had two game-management issues that might have cost his team points.

The Hoosier moved the ball to the 6-yard line in the waning seconds of the first half, but instead of calling timeout, Allen had Peyton Ramsey

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Purdue beats Minnesota 83-78 in double OT

BY MARK AMBROGI
Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE — Matt Haarms figures this victory will pay dividends down the road.

The 7-foot-3 junior center scored a career-high 26 points on 11-of-16 shooting to lead Purdue to an 83-78 victory in double overtime over Minnesota in Big Ten action on Thursday night.

"It's great to get win like this because it shows we can grind it out," Haarms said. "The whole second half was lead changes all the time. We just had to fight for it every step of the way. It's showing this team has fight. These games are about not playing your best basketball and still pulling a win out."

It was just Haarms' second game back after missing two games with a concussion.

"Offensively, he did some good things," Purdue coach Matt Painter said. "We have to do a better job of getting him and Trevion Williams the basketball. But between them they shot 26 shots. Defensively, you can see he's not back yet, he's got fatigued."

Haarms, who played 40 minutes, came up big in the second overtime scoring the first two baskets for the Boilermakers (9-5, 2-1).

Purdue started the second OT with a 6-0 run, but Minnesota forged another tie. Sasha Stefanovic, who finished with 17 points, gave Purdue a 78-75 lead with a 3.

"Trevion made a tremendous pass and it went in," Stefanovic said.

With 40 seconds, Williams sank two free throws to put Purdue ahead 80-75. After Minnesota missed a 3-pointer, Haarms grabbed the rebound and hit the first of two free throws. Minnesota's Daniel Oturu sank a 3-pointer with 8 seconds remaining. Jahaad Proctor was fouled and hit both free throws with 6 seconds.

Purdue's Williams hit the second of two free throws to make it 69-all with 6.5 seconds left in the first overtime. Minnesota's Carr missed a running shot and Oturu's putback.

Oturu scored 24 of his 29 points after halftime for the Gophers (7-6, 1-2) and grabbed 18 rebounds. Marcus Carr gave the Boilermakers fits with his quickness most of the game, but wore down late. He finished with 27 points.

"Marcus was unbelievable at times," Minnesota coach Richard Pitino said. "We lose that game by 20 without

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ON THE AIR

AUTO RACING
10 p.m.
NBCSN: Monster Energy AMA Supercross: From Anaheim, Calif.
BOBSLEDDING / SKELETON
1 p.m.
NBCSN: IBSF World Cup: Women's Bobsled, Winterberg, Germany (taped)
COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)
12 p.m.
ACCN: North Carolina State at Clemson
ESPN2: Oklahoma St. at Texas Tech
ESPNU: Louisiana St. at Tennessee
FOX: Indiana at Maryland
FS1: Creighton at Butler
1 p.m.
CBS: Georgia at Memphis
2 p.m.
BTN: Iowa at Penn State
CBSSN: Long Island-Brooklyn at Mount St. Mary's
ESPN2: Florida State at Louisville
ESPNU: Connecticut at South Florida
FOX: Villanova at Marquette
SECN: Missouri at Kentucky
4 p.m.
CBSSN: Cincinnati at Tulane
ESPN2: Notre Dame at Syracuse
ESPNU: Mississippi at Wichita State
4:30 p.m.
SECN: Auburn at Mississippi State
5 p.m.
PAC-12N: Oregon at Utah
6 p.m.
ACCN: Georgia Tech at UNC
ESPN2: Alabama at Florida
ESPNU: Iowa St. at Texas Christian
7 p.m.
PAC-12N: UCLA at Washington St.
SECN: Texas A&M at Arkansas
8 p.m.
ESPN: Duke at Miami
ESPN2: Texas at Baylor
ESPNU: Bradley at Northern Iowa
9 p.m.
SECN: Southern Methodist at Vanderbilt
9:30 p.m.
PAC-12N: Arizona State at Arizona
10 p.m.
ESPN2: Pepperdine at Gonzaga
ESPNU: Air Force at Nevada
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
12 p.m.
CBSSN: Virginia Commonwealth at Rhode Island
4 p.m.
BTN: Penn State at Wisconsin
6 p.m.
BTN: Minnesota at Nebraska
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
11:30 a.m.
ESPN: The Armed Forces Bowl: Southern Mississippi vs. Tulane, Fort Worth, Texas
GOLF
4 p.m.
NBC: PGA Tour: The Sentry Tournament of Champions, Third Round, Maui, Hawaii
6 p.m.
GOLF: PGA Tour: The Sentry Tournament of Champions, Third Round, Maui, Hawaii
HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL
1 p.m.
NBC: The All-American Bowl: East vs. West, San Antonio
IIHF HOCKEY
9 a.m.
NHLN: World Junior Championship: Russia vs. Sweden, Semifinal, Ostravice, Czech Republic
1 p.m.
NHLN: World Junior Championship: Finland vs. Canada, Semifinal, Ostravice, Czech Republic
NFL FOOTBALL
4:35 p.m.
ABC / ESPN: AFC Wild Card Playoff: Buffalo at Houston
8:15 p.m.
CBS: AFC Wild Card Playoff: Tennessee at New England
NHL HOCKEY
4 p.m.
NHLN: St. Louis at Vegas
7 p.m.
NHLN: Pittsburgh at Montreal
SKIING
2 p.m.
NBCSN: FIS World Cup: Women's Slalom, Zagreb, Croatia (taped)
TENNIS
6 a.m.
TENNIS: ATP: The ATP Cup, Day 2 Group Stage, Brisbane, Perth, and Sydney, Australia
6 p.m.
TENNIS: ATP/WTA: The ATP Cup, Day 2 Group Stage, AND The Shenzhen Open, Early Rounds

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NBCSN: Virginia Commonwealth at George Mason
1:30 p.m.
CBS: Michigan at Michigan State
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NBCSN: Davidson at Duquesne
4 p.m.
NBCSN: Massachusetts at St. Louis
4:30 p.m.
FOX: St. John's at Xavier
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FS1: Purdue at Illinois
10 p.m.
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
12 p.m.
ACCN: Georgia Tech at Wake Forest
BTN: Rutgers at Purdue
ESPN2: Michigan State at Michigan
ESPNU: Vanderbilt at Florida
2 p.m.
ACCN: Duke at Louisville
BTN: Iowa at Northwestern
CBSSN: Villanova at St. John's
ESPN2: Cincinnati at South Florida
ESPNU: Louisiana State at Missouri
SECN: Arkansas at Auburn
3 p.m.
PAC-12N: Colorado at Oregon State
4 p.m.
ACCN: Notre Dame at Syracuse
ESPN2: Tennessee at Kentucky
ESPNU: Memphis at Houston
SECN: Mississippi State at Georgia
5 p.m.
PAC-12N: Utah at Oregon
6 p.m.
SECN: South Carolina at Alabama
GOLF
6 p.m.
GOLF: PGA Tour: The Sentry Tournament of Champions, Final Round, Maui, Hawaii
IIHF HOCKEY
9 a.m.
NHLN: World Junior Championship: Teams TBD, Bronze Medal Game, Ostravice, Czech Republic
1 p.m.
NHLN: World Junior Championship: Teams TBD, Gold Medal Game, Ostravice, Czech Republic
NFL FOOTBALL
1:05 p.m.
FOX: NFC Wild Card Playoff: Minnesota at New Orleans
4:40 p.m.
NBC: NFC Wild Card Playoff: Seattle at Philadelphia
NHL HOCKEY
5 p.m.
NHLN: Florida at Pittsburgh
7:30 p.m.
NBCSN: Detroit at Chicago
10 p.m.
NBCSN: Nashville at Anaheim
SOCCER (MEN'S)
2:30 p.m.
ESPNEWS: Serie A: Torino at AS Roma
TENNIS
6 a.m.
TENNIS: ATP: The ATP Cup, Day 3 Group Stage, Brisbane, Perth, and Sydney, Australia
6 p.m.
TENNIS: ATP/WTA: The ATP Cup, Day 4 Group Stage, AND The Shenzhen Open, The Auckland Open, and The Brisbane International, Early Rounds

SCOREBOARD

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	23	8	.742	—
Toronto	23	12	.657	2
Philadelphia	23	13	.639	2½
Brooklyn	16	17	.485	8
New York	10	24	.294	14½

Southeast Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	25	9	.735	—
Orlando	15	19	.441	10
Charlotte	14	23	.378	12½
Washington	10	23	.303	14½
Atlanta	7	27	.206	18

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	31	5	.861	—
Indiana	22	13	.629	8½
Chicago	13	22	.371	17½
Detroit	12	23	.342	18½
Cleveland	10	24	.294	20

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	23	11	.676	—
Dallas	22	12	.647	1
San Antonio	14	19	.424	8½
Memphis	13	22	.371	10½
New Orleans	11	23	.324	12

Northwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	24	10	.706	—
Utah	22	12	.647	2
Oklahoma City	19	15	.559	5
Portland	14	21	.400	10½
Minnesota	13	21	.382	11

Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	27	7	.794	—
L.A. Clippers	25	11	.675	3
Phoenix	13	21	.382	14
Sacramento	13	22	.353	14½
Golden State	9	27	.250	19

Thursday's Games
Charlotte 109, Cleveland 106
Denver 124, Indiana 116
Miami 84, Toronto 76
Minnesota 99, Golden State 84
Utah 102, Chicago 98
Dallas 123, Brooklyn 111
Oklahoma City 109, San Antonio 103
Sacramento 128, Memphis 123
L.A. Clippers 126, Detroit 112

Friday's Games
Atlanta at Boston
Miami at Orlando
Portland at Washington
Philadelphia at Houston
New York at Phoenix
New Orleans at L.A. Lakers

Saturday's Games
Memphis at L.A. Clippers, 3:30 p.m.
Toronto at Brooklyn, 6 p.m.
Utah at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Denver at Washington, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Golden State, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games
New York at L.A. Clippers, 3:30 p.m.
Portland at Miami, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Memphis at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Detroit at L.A. Lakers, 10 p.m.

NFL

Playoffs
Wild Card Round
Saturday, Jan. 4
Buffalo at Houston, 4:35 p.m. (ESPN / ABC)
Tennessee at New England, 8:15 p.m. (CBS)
Sunday, Jan. 5
Minnesota at New Orleans, 1:05 p.m. (FOX)
Seattle at Philadelphia, 4:40 p.m. (NBC)

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Thursday's result

PURDUE 83, MINNESOTA 78 (2OT)

MINNESOTA (7-6)
Carr 7-16 10-12 27, Kalscheur 5-15 0-0 13, Oturu 12-23 3-5 29, Tre.Williams 2-10 2-2 6, Demir 1-6 0-0 3, Omersa 0-3 0-0 0, Hurt 0-1 0-0 0, Greenlee 0-0 0-0 0, Ihnen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-74 15-19 78.
PURDUE (9-5)
Stefanovic 6-11 0-0 17, Haarms 11-16 3-5 26, Hunter 4-10 5-8 16, Proctor 2-10 2-2 7, Eastern 0-1 0-0 0, Trev.Williams 5-10 4-8 14, Wheeler 1-6 0-0 3, Thompson 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 29-68 14-23 83.
Halftime-Purdue 31-30. 3-Point Goals-Minnesota 9-26 (Carr 3-5, Kalscheur 3-10, Oturu 2-4, Demir 1-2, Omersa 0-1, Tre. Williams 0-4), Purdue 11-25 (Stefanovic 5-8, Hunter 3-4, Haarms 1-3, Proctor 1-3, Wheeler 1-5, Thompson 0-1, Trev.Williams 0-1). Fouled Out-Carr, Omersa. Rebounds-Minnesota 44 (Oturu 18), Purdue 40 (Haarms, Trev.Williams 9). Assists-Minnesota 13 (Carr 4), Purdue 20 (Eastern, Wheeler 5). Total Fouls-Minnesota 23, Purdue 20. A-14,804 (14,846).

Thursday's men's scores
EAST
Boston U. 73, Lafayette 72
Brown 85, Rhode Island 75
Bryant 67, St. Francis (Pa.) 63
Bucknell 67, Army 65
Colgate 65, American U. 51
Dayton 84, La Salle 58
Duquesne 73, Saint Louis 59
Loyola (Md.) 80, Holy Cross 70
Maine 75, Columbia 72
Marshall 89, Rice 69
Merrimack 65, Sacred Heart 57
Navy 64, Lehigh 58
Northeastern 77, Elon 68
Robert Morris 89, CCSU 78
Vermont 77, Dartmouth 68
Wagner 66, Mount St. Mary's 47
William & Mary 88, Hofstra 61
SOUTH
Austin Peay 78, SE Missouri 63
Charleston Southern 89, SC-Upstate 75
Charlotte 51, UAB 44
Coll. of Charleston 81, Towson 69
E. Kentucky 74, Tennessee Tech 59
Gardner-Webb 67, Campbell 65
Georgia Southern 70, Coastal Carolina 67
Georgia St. 69, Appalachian St. 60
Jacksonville St. 76, Morehead St. 72
James Madison 64, UNC-Wilmington 60
Lamar 74, New Orleans 67
Liberty 59, Florida Gulf Coast 46
Lipscomb 66, Stetson 63
Louisiana-Monroe 79, Troy 63
Murray St. 89, UT Martin 76
Nicholls 76, Incarnate Word 60
North Alabama 62, Jacksonville 57
North Florida 76, Kennesaw St. 57
Old Dominion 70, Middle Tennessee 60
Presbyterian 79, UNC-Asheville 77
Richmond 84, Saint Joseph's 52
SIU-Edwardsville 79, Belmont 69
Sam Houston St. 94, McNeese St. 75
South Alabama 60, Louisiana-Lafayette 57
Stephen F. Austin 82, SE Louisiana 71
Tennessee St. 84, E. Illinois 79
VCU 64, Fordham 46
W. Kentucky 93, North Texas 84
Winthrop 91, Longwood 67
MIDWEST
Michigan St. 76, Illinois 56
N. Dakota St. 94, W. Illinois 74
Purdue 83, Minnesota 78
S. Dakota St. 96, Oral Roberts 79
UMKC 90, Seattle 86
Utah Valley 94, Chicago St. 73
SOUTHWEST
Houston Baptist 111, Cent. Arkansas 107
Texas A&M-CC 67, Northwestern St. 62
Texas-Arlington 73, Arkansas St. 52
UALR 72, Texas State 68
FAR WEST
California Baptist 76, Rio Grande 67
Colorado 74, Oregon 65
Gonzaga 85, Portland 72
Idaho 72, Portland St. 61
Loyola Marymount 64, San Diego 58
Montana 60, S. Utah 58
N. Colorado 68, Montana St. 59
North Dakota 82, Denver 71
Pacific 59, Pepperdine 56
Saint Mary's (Cal) 69, San Francisco 58
Southern Cal 65, Washington St. 56
Stanford 68, California 52
UC Santa Barbara 87, Westmont 66
UCLA 66, Washington 64
Utah 81, Oregon St. 69

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Thursday's result

TENNESSEE 23, INDIANA 22

Indiana	0	3	16	3	—	22
Tennessee	0	6	3	14	—	23

Second Quarter
TEN-FG Cimaglia 23, 14:49.
TEN-FG Cimaglia 32, 5:21.
IU-FG Justus 24, :00.
Third Quarter
IU-Ramsey 1 run (Justus kick), 9:29.
IU-Jam.Johnson 63 interception return (kick failed), 8:26.
TEN-FG Cimaglia 43, 4:11.
IU-FG Justus 49, 1:01.
Fourth Quarter
IU-FG Justus 30, 10:27.
TEN-Crouch 1 run (Cimaglia kick), 4:21.
TEN-Gray 16 run (Cimaglia kick), 3:51.
A-61,789.

	IU	TEN
First downs	17	19
Rushes-yards	31-76	35-136
Passing	227	238
Comp-Att-Int	20-34-1	19-34-2
Return Yards	47	51
Punts-Avg.	4-46.2	4-37.8
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-46	7-55
Time of Possession	29:28	30:32

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING-Indiana, Ramsey 17-54, James 11-25, Lloyd 1-2, R.Walker 1-2, Philyor 1-(minus 7). Tennessee, Gray 14-86, Chandler 12-35, Maurer 1-8, Jennings 1-5, Jordan 2-4, Crouch 1-1, Guarantano 3-(minus 1), (Team) 1-(minus 2).
PASSING-Indiana, Ramsey 20-34-1-227. Tennessee, Maurer 1-3-0-17, Guarantano 18-31-2-221.
RECEIVING-Indiana, Hendershot 6-67, Westbrook 4-48, Fryfogle 3-63, Marshall 2-25, Bjorson 2-12, R.Walker 2-11, Philyor 1-1. Tennessee, Palmer 6-68, Chandler 3-24, Keyton 2-60, Gray 2-34, Jennings 2-27, Callaway 1-19, Byrd 1-5, Wood-Anderson 1-2, Jordan 1-(minus 1).
MISSED FIELD GOALS-Indiana, Justus 52.

Bowl glance

Friday, Dec. 20
Bahamas Bowl
Nassau
Buffalo 31, Charlotte 9
Saturday, Dec. 21
Celebration Bowl
At Atlanta
NC A&T 64, Alcorn State 44
New Mexico Bowl
Albuquerque
San Diego State 48, Central Michigan 11
Cure Bowl
Orlando, Fla.
Liberty 23, Georgia Southern 16
Boca Raton (Fla.) Bowl
FAU 52, SMU 28
Camellia Bowl
Montgomery, Ala.
Arkansas State 34, FIU 26
New Orleans Bowl
Appalachian State 31, UAB 17
Las Vegas Bowl
Washington 38, Boise State 7
Monday, Dec. 23
Gasparilla Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
UCF 48, Marshall 25
Tuesday, Dec. 24
Hawaii Bowl
Honolulu
Hawaii 38, BYU 34
Thursday, Dec. 26
Independence Bowl
Shreveport, La.
Louisiana Tech 14, Miami 0
Quick Lane Bowl
Detroit
Pittsburgh 34, Eastern Michigan 30
Friday, Dec. 27
Military Bowl
Annapolis, Md.
North Carolina 55, Temple 13
Pinstripe Bowl
New York
Michigan State 27, Wake Forest 21
Texas Bowl
Houston
Texas A&M 24, Oklahoma State 21
Holiday Bowl
San Diego
Iowa 49, Southern Cal 24
Cheez-It Bowl
Phoenix
Air Force 31, Washington State 21
Saturday, Dec. 28
Camping World Bowl
Orlando, Fla.
Notre Dame 33, Iowa State 9
Cotton Bowl Classic
Arlington, Texas
Penn State 53, Memphis 39
Peach Bowl
Atlanta
CFP Semifinal: LSU 63, Oklahoma 28
Fiesta Bowl
Glendale, Ariz.
CFP Semifinal: Clemson 29, Ohio State 23
Monday, Dec. 30
First Responder Bowl
Dallas
Western Kentucky 23, Western Michigan 20
Music City Bowl
Nashville, Tenn.
Louisville 38, Mississippi State 28
Redbox Bowl
Santa Clara, Calif.
California 35, Illinois 20
Orange Bowl
Miami Gardens, Fla.
Florida 36, Virginia 28
Tuesday, Dec. 31
Belk Bowl
Charlotte, N.C.
Kentucky 37, Virginia Tech 30
Sun Bowl
El Paso, Texas
Arizona State 20, Florida State 14
Liberty Bowl
Memphis, Tenn.
Navy 20, Kansas State 17
Arizona Bowl
Tucson, Ariz.
Wyoming 38, Georgia State 17
Alamo Bowl
San Antonio
Texas 38, Utah 10
Wednesday, Jan. 1
Citrus Bowl
Orlando, Fla.
Alabama 35, Michigan 16
Outback Bowl
Tampa, Fla.
Minnesota 31, Auburn 24
Rose Bowl
Pasadena, Calif.
Oregon 28, Wisconsin 27
Sugar Bowl
New Orleans
Georgia 26, Baylor 14
Thursday, Jan. 2
Birmingham (Ala.) Bowl
Cincinnati 38, Boston College 6
Gator Bowl
Jacksonville, Fla.
Tennessee 23, Indiana 22
Friday, Jan. 3
Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
Boise
Ohio (6-6) vs. Nevada (7-5), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Saturday, Jan. 4
Armed Forces Bowl
Fort Worth, Texas
Southern Miss (7-5) vs. Tulane (6-6), 11:30 a.m. (ESPN)
Monday, Jan. 6
Lendingtree Bowl
Mobile, Ala.
Miami (Ohio) (8-5) vs. Louisiana-Lafayette (10-3), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Monday, Jan. 13
College Football Championship
New Orleans
Clemson (14-0) vs. LSU (14-0), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
Major League Baseball
MLB — Announced New York Yankees pitcher Domingo Germán accepted an 81-game suspension under Major League Baseball's Joint Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Policy.
American League
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Agreed to terms with OF Luis Robert on a six-year contract.
TEXAS RANGERS — Named Doug Mathis bullpen coach and Darwin Barney manager of Nashville (PCL).
National League
BOSTON RED SOX — Signed C Kevin Plawecki to a one-year contract. Designated 1B-OF Sam Travis for assignment.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS — Announced the resignations of defensive passing game coordinator and secondary coach Jerome Henderson and assistant defensive line coach Travis Jones.
DETROIT LIONS — Announced the resignation of defensive coordinator Paul Pasqualoni. Announced defensive line coach Jeff Davidson is taking an indefinite leave from coaching.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Named Jack Del Rio defensive coordinator.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ANAHEIM DUCKS — Recalled D Chris Wideman from San Diego (AHL).

NFL

Carroll savors another playoff experience after a decade in the Pacific Northwest

Coach leads his team vs. Eagles in Sunday's wild card game

BY TIM BOOTH
AP Sports Writer

RENTON, Wash. — When Pete Carroll was informed that nearly 10 years to the day had past since he was announced as the Seattle Seahawks head coach, the normally effusive coach was momentarily stunned.

Partly because it hasn't felt like a decade. Partly because he's never been anywhere for this long in his career.

"It seems like it just flashed by, really," Carroll said.

It's been nearly 10 years exactly — Jan. 11, 2010 is when he was officially hired — since Carroll left behind his reign over Southern California and embarked on a return to the NFL. His decision to come to Seattle was essentially a science experiment to see if the lessons learned and program created in Carroll's time in college could be transferred with success to the professional game.

What seemed destined to be either a raving success or complete disaster has turned out to be the former. When the Seahawks face Philadelphia on Sunday in the opening round of the playoffs, it will mark Seattle's eighth postseason appearance in Carroll's 10 seasons.

Seattle had just 10 playoff appearances in its history before Carroll's arrival. He's the winningest coach in team history, picking up his 100th regular season victory with the Seahawks in Week 15 against Carolina. He's brought the franchise to two NFC championships and its first Super Bowl title.

"I thought you guys would have me for a couple years and then kick me out of here," Carroll said. "I never dreamed that we would be here 10 years because I've never been anywhere 10 years. This was a first. It really has been a flash. The amazing thing to me is that we've been through a generation of players. Guys have come through the program, played their whole careers and they're on to the rest of their life. That's an amazing thing to see happen. It's been an amazing 10 years. It's been a blast."

While he may be the oldest coach in the league at age 68, Carroll still has the same youthful enthusiasm that he brought from college a decade ago. Some of his coaching decisions can be rightfully debated during that time, none more than the goal-line pass in Super Bowl 49 that was intercepted and cost Seattle a second straight title.

But Carroll's commitment to the job and doing it his way has remained consistent.

"He's the same. He's consistent. I've never seen him not happy or not enjoying ball," said linebacker K.J. Wright, the longest tenured Seattle player having been drafted in 2011. "We could be winning. We could be losing. He's pretty consistent."

Carroll's excitement and longevity for the job was put into perspective last month when just a few miles away, Washington coach Chris Petersen suddenly resigned. While he said it wasn't burn out, it was clear Petersen wanted to do something more than just be a college football coach.

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That's never seemed to be the case with Carroll. Throughout his decade in Seattle, Carroll's been able to mix off-field interests while staying grounded in his responsibility in being a coach.

"He's always been full of energy. Every day he's always playing games and doing things," said his son Nate Carroll, Seattle's wide receivers coach. "I've not seen him really waver other than probably the year after we lost the Super Bowl when it became more challenging. Guys started to challenge a little bit more in terms of his coaching style. That was his most challenging year."

But much like his time in college when recruits would leave after three or four years, Carroll cycled through many of the old stalwarts that created the foundation for the teams early in his Seattle tenure and were posing those challenges back in 2015. Richard Sherman, Earl Thomas, Michael Bennett, Cliff Avril and Kam Chancellor were all key pieces of Seattle's defense that moved on to other places or stepped away due to injury. Same with Doug Baldwin and Marshawn Lynch, although Lynch is now back for a brief second tenure.

Cycling out the old and bringing in the new refreshed Carroll. He got to teach his system and football beliefs to a new generation. Whether he'll be up for teaching the next generation of Seahawks is unknown. Carroll will turn 69 next September. His current contract with Seattle goes through the end of the 2021 season when he'll turn 70.

Even if he decides at that time to step away, Carroll proved his style can work in the pro game.

"I wanted to see what it would be like if you treated people like they were your very own family. You care for them that much and you look after them and you try to help them find their best in every way that you can. Not just coach football and all that, and see what the result would be on this level," Carroll said. "Most people would say you couldn't. When I came here, there were a lot of people who thought, you're a college guy. You can't do that. Or, you can't do whatever you've been doing.

"We didn't do anything different," he continued "We just learned more how to care for people in more effective ways and understand really what I was doing before I didn't even know. I've learned so much since I've come here in understanding why I'm doing what I'm doing and how it fits and where there's value in it and strengths to it. There's a method to it and all of that. It's been really rewarding. It's been a tremendous experience."

NFL

McCaffrey a double All-Pro pick; Thomas is unanimous

BY BARRY WILNER
AP Pro Football Writer

NEW YORK — Christian McCaffrey's versatility and superb statistics helped him to a rare double: The Carolina Panthers running back has made The Associated Press NFL All-Pro Team at two positions.

McCaffrey rushed for 1,387 yards and 15 touchdowns while catching a phenomenal 116 passes for 1,005 yards and four TDs. He became the third player in NFL history to finish with 1,000 yards rushing and 1,000 yards receiving in the same season, joining Hall of Famer Marshall Faulk and Roger Craig, who is on the senior ballot for the hall this year.

That so impressed the 50 members of a nationwide media panel who regularly cover the NFL for McCaffrey to be voted the first-team running back and the top flex player. The flex position was created in 2016 to reward players who epitomize the way offense is now played in pro football. Not one fits that description better than McCaffrey, whose terrific season came for a 5-11 team.

"It means a lot," says McCaffrey, a third-year pro. "It is a big honor and that is something that you don't work hard for it, but when it comes you are really grateful and appreciative."

McCaffrey's achievement was complemented by the unanimous selections of New Orleans receiver Michael Thomas and New England cornerback Stephon Gilmore. It's the second straight season both made the squad, Thomas doing it with an NFL-record 149 catches, Gilmore anchoring the league's top-ranked defense.

Ravens sensation Lamar Jackson, who in his second season led Baltimore to a league-best 14-2 mark, was chosen as quarterback. Jackson and McCaffrey were among 14 first-time All-Pros.

Rams safety Eric Weddle, who witnessed the jukes and jaunts of Jackson firsthand in a 45-6 Ravens romp.

"When you get on the field and you get to the speed of what they run, it's tough," says Weddle, a former All-Pro. "I mean, some of the plays I didn't know who had the ball because they run it so efficiently. (Jackson) is one of a kind; he's pretty special."

This special class includes several multiple All-Pros: Rams DT Aaron Donald and Seahawks LB Bobby Wagner, each for a fifth time; Cowboys right guard Zack Martin and Ravens kicker Justin Tucker for a fourth time.

Bears kick returner Cordarrelle Patterson made his third All-Pro roster, as did Eagles center Jason Kelce and Texans receiver DeAndre Hopkins.

All-Pros for the second time included Thomas, Gilmore, Cardinals edge rusher Chandler Jones, Steelers DT Cam Heyward, Patriots special teamer Matthew Slater, Colts left guard Quenton Nelson, and Ravens defensive back Marcus Peters, who shared that spot with the teammate Marlon Humphrey and the Chiefs' Tyrann Mathieu (second appearance).

Thomas, Gilmore, Nelson, Hopkins, Kelce, Martin, Donald, Wagner and Tucker repeated from 2018.

The other newcomers were Humphrey; 49ers tight end George Kittle; Ravens left tackle Ronnie Stanley; Saints right tackle Ryan Ramczyk; Steelers edge rusher T.J. Watt; Saints linebacker Demario Davis; Vikings LB Eric Kendricks; Bills cornerback Tre'Davious White; safeties Jamal Adams of the Jets and Minkah Fitzpatrick of the Steelers; Titans punter Brett Kern; and Saints punt returner Deonte Harris, the only rookie on the team.

"When you got here and people start talking about All-Pro and that's the best of the best, you're like 'Pro Bowl is cool, but I need to get the best of the best.," says Wagner, who led the NFL in tackles this season. "As you get older you kind of understand how hard these things are to get. And so you don't take any of them for granted and are very grateful for your health, grateful for your teammates. As you get older you reflect and you appreciate things differently that you might not have had when you were young."

Ramczyk once played Division III college ball. Now look at him.

"It's just pretty crazy that I was at a little D-3 school and I'm like, 'If I'm going to play this game, I'm going to play to be the best I possibly can be," he says, adding the All-Pro designation is "pretty awesome. It's pretty cool."

Not surprisingly, Baltimore led the All-Pro Team with five selections, while New Orleans had four, Baltimore and Pittsburgh each had three. There were 16 AFC players and 13 from the NFC.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Villanova's Jay Wright is AP coach of the decade

BY JOHN MARSHALL
AP Basketball Writer

The final seconds of the 2016 national title game were some of the most dramatic in college history.

North Carolina's Marcus Paige hit an off-balance 3-pointer to tie the game with 4.7 seconds left, only to be upstaged by Villanova's Kris Jenkins hitting a buzzer-beating, game-winning 3-pointer.

Amid all the drama, Villanova coach Jay Wright remained calm. When Jenkins let go of his shot, Wright nonchalantly said "Bang," then walked over to shake Tar Heels coach Roy Williams' hand as if the Wildcats had just won an exhibition game, not a national championship.

Smooth as one of his designer suits, Wright turned Villanova into a national powerhouse during the 2010s, leading the Wildcats to two national titles while changing the way college basketball is played.

Wright's success on the outskirts of Philadelphia made him a runaway choice as men's coach of the decade. He received 16 of 24 votes from a panel of Associated Press poll voters, well ahead of Duke's Mike Krzyzewski with five votes. Gonzaga's Mark Few, Kentucky's John Calipari and Virginia's Tony Bennett had one each.

Before he arrived, Villanova was known for upsetting Georgetown in the 1986 national championship game and the occasional trip to the NCAA Tournament.

Wright needed three years to build a foundation before Villanova broke through with a trip to the 2005 Sweet 16. An Elite Eight appearance followed the next year and the Wildcats reached the Final Four in 2009.

Villanova won its first national title under Wright in 2016 on Jenkins' shot and decimated the NCAA Tournament field in 2018, winning every game by double digits on its way to the national title.

Wright has a school-record 458 wins, six Big East Conference championships, four Big East Tournament titles and 14 NCAA Tournament appearances to go with those national titles.

"Honestly, we've had success because we've had really good players. We really have," Wright said. "We've had really talented guys. You can see them all playing in the NBA and see what they did."

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Indiana faces tough test against No. 15 Maryland in early Saturday game

Indiana (11-2, 1-1) vs. No. 15 Maryland (11-2, 1-1)

Xfinity Center, College Park, Maryland; Saturday, 12 p.m.

BOTTOM LINE

No. 15 Maryland presents a tough challenge for Indiana. Indiana has played a ranked team only once this season and won. Maryland is coming off an 84-70 win over Bryant in its most recent game.

SQUAD LEADERS

Maryland's Anthony Cowan Jr. has averaged 16.7 points and 4.2 assists while Jalen Smith has put up 13.1 points, 10.1 rebounds and 2.4 blocks. For the Hoosiers, Trayce Jackson-Davis has averaged 15.4 points, 8.7 rebounds and two blocks while Justin Smith has put up 12.2 points and 5.5 rebounds.

ACCURATE ANTHONY:

Cowan has connected on 37 percent of the 73 3-pointers he's attempted and has gone 8 for 24 over the last three games. He's also converted 77.1 percent of his free throws this season.

PERFECT WHEN

The sizzling Terrapins are 10-0 when they turn the ball over 16 times or fewer and 1-2 when they exceed 16 turnovers. The Hoosiers are 9-0 when the team blocks at least four shots and 2-2 when they fall short of that total.

STREAK SCORING

Maryland has won its last eight home games, scoring an average of 77.9 points while giving up 59.1.

DID YOU KNOW

Indiana and Maryland are the class of the Big Ten in terms of getting to the foul line.

The Hoosiers are ranked first in the conference and have averaged 27.2 free throws while the Terrapins are ranked second and have attempted 24 per game.

NFL

Titans-Patriots get night slot in wild card weekend

BY BARRY WILNER
AP Pro Football Writer

The Patriots have been compared to a sporting dynasty and to Palpatine's Evil Empire. Regardless of which is true, there's no denying that New England enters these playoffs more vulnerable than in quite a few years.

One thing we've learned since Tom Brady went from 199th draft pick to dominant NFL figure is not to dismiss him and his Patriots. Sure, they have been ultra-sloppy in the second half of the schedule, and blowing a bye with a home loss to the Dolphins not only was stunning, it was inexcusable.

Not that the Patriots are looking backward. They never do.

``Everything we want is still out there in front of us,'' running back James White says. ``Just got to recalibrate, short week, good opponent, just got to be ready to go, go out there and have fun, play physical, know your job, do it to the best of your abilities. You never know which play is going to make a difference.''

The big difference in Tennessee is at quarterback, where Ryan Tannehill has been dynamic and a winner since taking over for Marcus Mariota. Derrick Henry led the league in rushing and is a threat inside or outside. The defense is solid enough, though it doesn't measure up to New England's league leaders.

Mike Vrabel has the look of a coach on the rise, as does his team. No. 12 (AP Pro32) Tennessee is a 5-point underdog for Saturday night at No. 7 New England.

Pro Picks just can't go against the Brady Bunch in this one, as tempting as it might be.

PATRIOTS, 23-17

No. 9 Buffalo (plus 3) at No. 10 Houston, Saturday

Forget that the Bills lost their last two games. They tested New England to the limit in their 15th game, then had nothing on the line in the finale with the Jets.

This is a much better Buffalo squad than what went to the playoffs two years ago to break that endless postseason drought.

"We're legit," linebacker Lorenzo Alexander says.

We'll find out how legit in the opener of the wild-card round. Houston tends to disappoint once it gets into the postseason: The Texans are 3-5 in the playoffs and never have reached a conference title game.

UPSET SPECIAL: BILLS 23-16

No. 8 Minnesota (plus 7) at No. 2 New Orleans, Sunday

What craziness will strike the Saints in these playoffs to keep them from the Super Bowl. Already, at 13-3, they could only manage a wild card. In the AFC, they would have been the No. 2 seed.

Nothing has been easy in the Big Easy for the Saints in January. Two years ago, they fell victim to some terrible defending in the secondary for the "Minneapolis Miracle". Last year, it was terrible officiating that cost them a trip to the big game.

But New Orleans also has been on a nice run lately, and the same can't be said for inconsistent Minnesota.

"Overall the team kind of heads into this postseason with some confidence based on how we've been playing," Saints coach Sean Payton said. "And yet I think they understand the type of tournament this is.''

They know better than anyone that it is a crapshoot.

BEST BET: SAINTS, 30-17

No. 6 Seattle (minus 1) at No. 11 Philadelphia, Sunday

Maybe the two most resilient teams in the league meet at the Linc. Unfortunately, one of their main links is injuries — both have been decimated by them.

Somehow, the Eagles ran off four straight victories to conclude the schedule and steal the NFC East despite playing with much of the junior varsity on the field. King-size kudos to coach Doug Pederson and his staff for not only finding the right subs, but getting them ready to play key roles in the stretch drive. And the same praise for Carson Wentz, who has validated himself as a franchise quarterback during this stretch.

That said, the Seahawks have more talent remaining than do the Eagles. They also went 7-1 on the road, so they have no fear of flying all the way east to Philadelphia.

SEAHAWKS, 22-20

INDIANA

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line up and spike the ball with 3 seconds remaining. They could have used their final timeout much early, taken a shot into the end zone and still had time for a field goal.

Allen also ran onto the field and called timeout just before the snap, negating a touchdown run. Fortunately for Allen, his team scored two plays later.

KEY INJURIES

Indiana played its second consecutive game without leading rusher Stevie Scott. Scott warmed up with teammates, but did not play. ... Tennessee linebacker Daniel Bituli injured his right eye in the third quarter, returned on the next series and could be seen covering it with his hand to get calls from the sideline. ... Indiana tight end Peyton Hendershot injured his right short on a tackle but later returned.

SPURRIER BOOED

Tennessee fans showed no love for former Florida coach Steve Spurrier.

The Head Ball Coach was one of several coaches and players on hand for the 75th edition of the Gator Bowl. All of them played or coached in the bowl and were recognized on the field shortly before kickoff.

The list included former Tennessee coach and current Vols athletic director Phillip Fulmer, Pro Football Hall of Fame running back Floyd Little, Ole Miss great Archie Manning, former Tennessee quarterback Joshua Dobbs and longtime Tennessee AD Doug Dickey, who played and coached at Florida.

Dobbs got the loudest ovation.

Spurrier was roundly booed, hardly a surprise given he went 8-4 against Tennessee as Florida's coach (1990-2001) and had famous lines like: "You can't spell Citrus without U-T."

UP NEXT

Indiana: Injured quarterback Michael Penix and several other offensive starters return next season, which begins with Indian's toughest road opener since playing at then-No. 7 Notre Dame in 1991. The Hoosiers open at Wisconsin on Sept. 5.

Tennessee: The Volunteers will have to replace five key starters: WRs Jennings and Marquez Callaway, linebackers Darrell Taylor and Bituli, and safety Nigel Warrior. Junior guard Trey Smith could leave early for the NFL. Tennessee opens next season against Charlotte on Sept. 5 and plays at Oklahoma the following week.

PURDUE

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Marcus. He's an absolute warrior. They were physical and Marcus got tired."

Purdue's Nojel Eastern, who had fresh legs after picking up three fouls, began guarding Carr late. Carr, who played 48 minutes, was held scoreless in the two overtimes.

"We just had to keep coming at him and keep getting stops," Eastern said. "We stayed aggressive."

Gabe Kalscheur added 13 points for Minnesota, which got 69 of its points from three players.

With the score tied 55, the Gophers outscored Boilermakers 7-2 to take a 62-57 edge with 3:20 left.

Following a Minnesota turnover, Stefanovic sank a 3-pointer with 15 seconds left to tie it at 62-all. Carr missed a jumper and Oturu rebounded but was called for traveling with 1.3 seconds left. Williams missed a half-court shot as regulation expired.

Painter said Thursday's crucial moments can help Williams with his confidence. Williams finished with 14 points and nine rebounds, sharing the team lead with Haarms.

"He was 4 of 8 from the line, but he made some tough ones so hopefully he can build on that," Painter said. "It's hard when you are not a great shooter to want the ball in crunch time."

Williams was a 45% free-throw shooter entering the game.

Purdue shot 48% to take a 31-30 halftime lead. Minnesota shot 38% in the opening half. Overall, Minnesota shot 36.5% and Purdue shot 42.6%

The Gophers held a 50-41 rebounding edge.

"We didn't come up with the win and that's certainly devastating," Pitino said. "It's my job to have the guys keep in perspective, if we play that hard with that fight we're going to win games in this league."

BIG PICTURE

Minnesota: The Gophers suffered a heart-breaking loss, missing many chances to put the game away. "In eight years, that's the most proud I've been of an effort," Gophers coach Richard Pitino said. "Our guys scratched and clawed and fought their butts off. "

Purdue: The Boilermakers had one of their better outside shooting games, hitting some big 3s when needed. Purdue made 11 of 25 3s. However, The Boilermakers, who were shooting 70 percent from the free throw line, was 14 of 23 for 61%.

UP NEXT

Minnesota plays host to Northwestern on Sunday.

Purdue plays at Illinois on Sunday.

Bride's choice of groomsman brings back painful memories

DEAR ABBY: I am a 37-year-old man who is getting married for the first time. My fiancee, "Holly," and I went to middle school and high school together, but never really got to know each other until a few years ago. I love her more than words can describe, and I'm happy to be getting ready to spend my life with her.

Dear Abby

Growing up, I was socially awkward, partly due to having Asperger's, which made me a target for bullies. Holly and I are now choosing our wedding party. My sister will be one of her bridesmaids. Holly is an only child, so she doesn't have a brother who could be one of my groomsmen. She has expressed that she would like her cousin "Gerald" to be one of my groomsmen, so someone from her family is in our wedding party.

The problem is, Gerald was my main tormentor from eighth grade all through high school. At one point in 10th grade, his cruelty led to my attempting suicide. I carry the scar from the attempt on my right wrist.

I understand that people change and mature as they grow older, and I'm OK with Gerald attending the wedding. But the idea of him standing next to me on the biggest day of my life, along with my best friend and two closest cousins, triggers too many awful memories. How can I plead this to Holly without hurting her feelings or looking shallow and petty? – Nervous Groom-To-Be

DEAR GROOM-TO-BE: Shallow and petty? The scar on your wrist is visible, but clearly there are others, equally painful, that are not. I don't think it would come across as either shallow or petty if you explain to your fiancee, exactly as you have explained it to me, why you prefer Gerald not be at the altar with you on the most important day of your life. This is something Holly should have been made aware of before the two of you set a wedding date. Do it now.

DEAR ABBY: I've been an alcoholic since I was 21. I was married for 19 years, and my drinking was at its worst toward the end. I was selfish toward my wife and my daughter. Since then, I have learned many hard lessons that could have been avoided if only I had never drunk.

I have apologized to my ex-wife for my actions. I was never violent, but I embarrassed her and my daughter with behavior that I'm ashamed of. After our divorce, I made a few more mistakes and finally sought help. I'm in a Christian-based rehab program and have chosen to follow this path for the rest of my life.

Over the last six months I have sent texts and a few letters to my daughter, hoping for an acknowledgment or some dialogue, to no avail. Since being at rehab, I've written her about my feelings and some small talk, always ending my letter telling her she's the love of my heart, and I miss her. Is there anything else I can do? – Hoping And Praying In Nashville

DEAR HOPING: Yes, there is one more thing you can do. Because she may consider your words nothing but lip service, make an attempt to visit her so she can SEE the change in you. Accept that damage has been done, and you cannot alter the past. Continue living your life on the path you have chosen and pray that, with time, your daughter will recognize that you have turned your life around and let you back in to hers.

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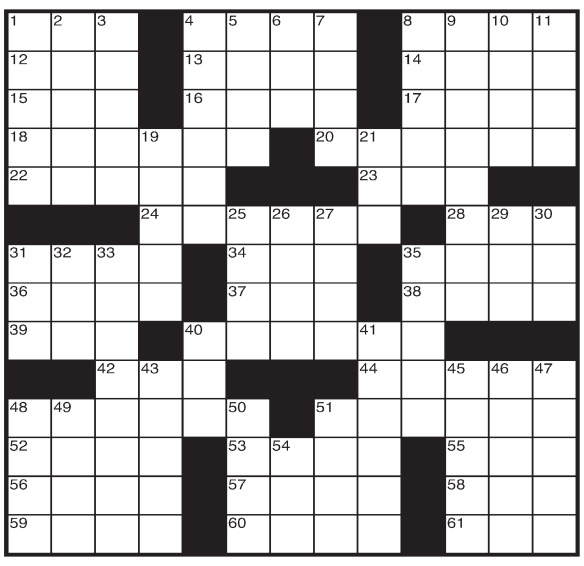

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JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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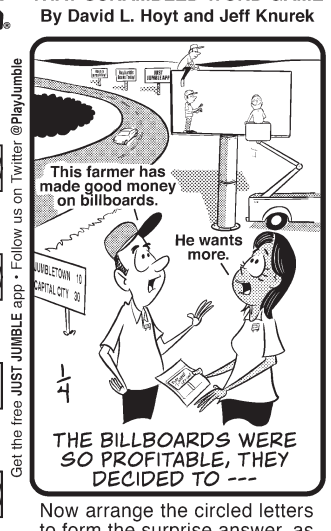

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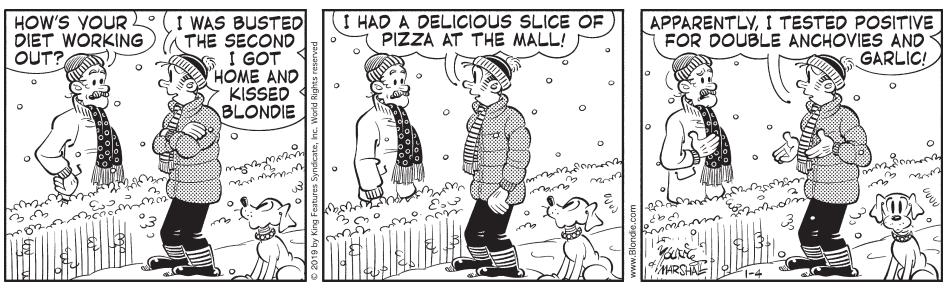

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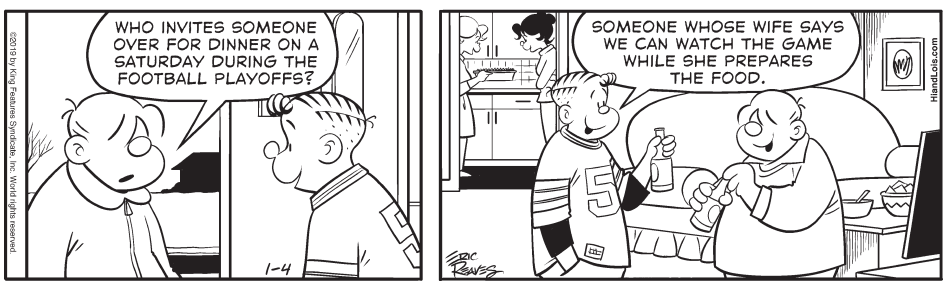

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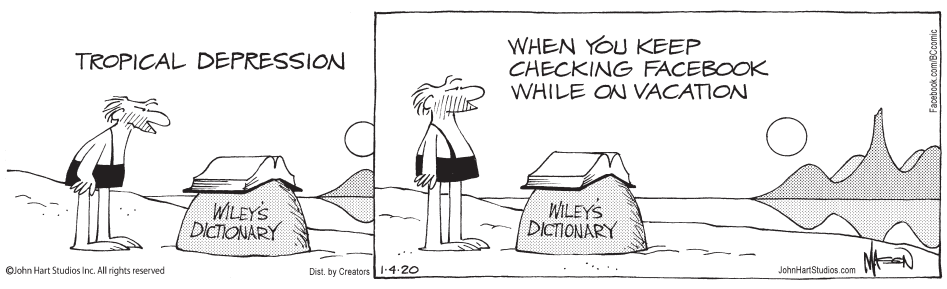

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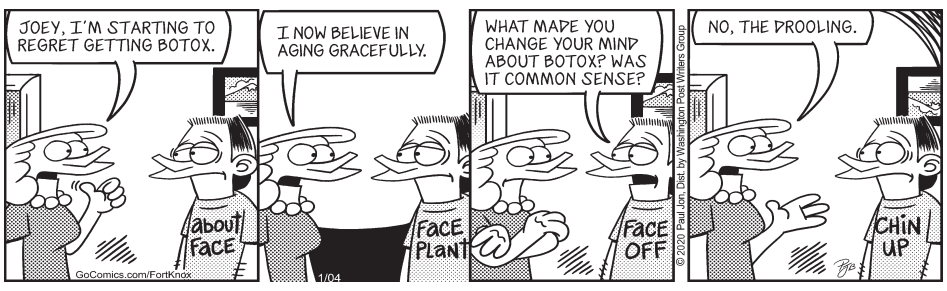


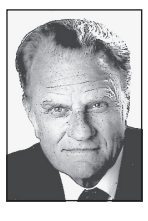
PICKLES

Those who keep Heaven in view experience joy, even in the midst of trouble

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: When my younger sister was in the process of dying and, in spite of her pain, her face was bright and hopeful as she talked about Jesus, trying to persuade the Hospice staff to accept Him as Lord. While I share my sister's faith, I don't think I could have the kind of peace she lived joyously in her last days. What is the secret? – S.D.

Billy Graham
My Answer



A: Those who keep Heaven in view experience joy, even in the midst of trouble. Happiness can be fleeting, but joy runs deep; it is one of the fruits of the Spirit. The ability to rejoice in any situation is a sign of spiritual maturity, realizing that absent from the body, present with the Lord.

But there is a sadness left behind for those still earthbound. How can we ever begin to know the rejoicing that takes place when a loved one is called into God's eternal presence? Someday, all who believe in Christ and follow Him will rejoice together when the Lord brings all of us home in immortal bodies. The morning stars will sing together and the angels will shout for glory.

The Bible says, "In Your presence is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore" (Psalm 16:11).

Think of having complete fulfillment, knowing that our homecoming brings unspeakable joy to our wonderful Lord! Only when we stand in the joyful presence of Jesus Christ will this be realized. So why do we prefer lingering here? Because we are not only earthbound in body; we are earthbound in our thinking. Our imagination is limited to the things of this earth. But when we leave this place, we will never dwell on it again. Our eyes and hearts will be fixed on Christ.

"Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; my flesh also will rest in hope" (Psalm 16:9).

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by Luis Campos

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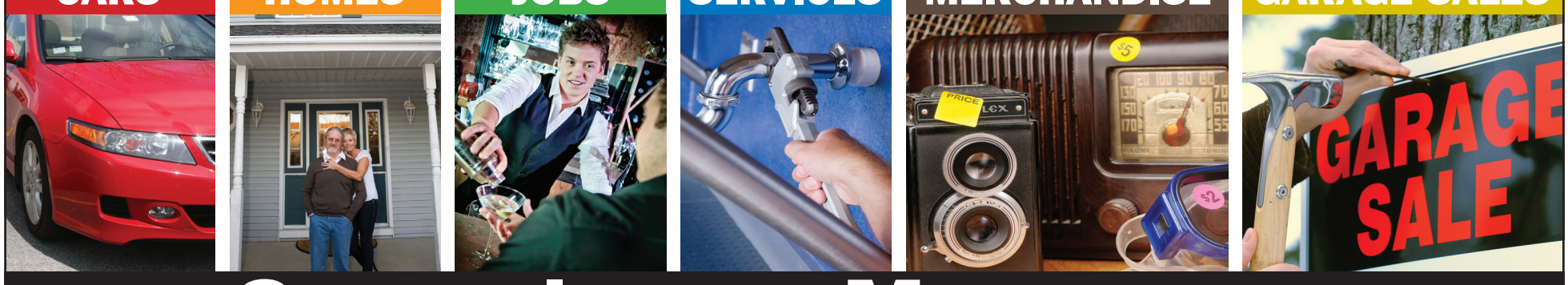

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ADVERTISEMENT TO BID WABASH COUNTY BRIDGE NO. 144 BANK STABILIZATION WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA Sealed proposals will be received by Wabash County, Indiana, Owner, at the Office of the Auditor, 1 West Hill Street, Wabash, Indiana, until 9:00 A.M. (local time), on January 13, 2020, and then will be publicly opened and read aloud at the regular meeting of the County Commissioners. Any bids received later than the above time will be returned unopened. DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Work for which proposals are to be received is for stream bank repair and stabilization at County Bridge 144 carrying CR 1050 S over Grant Creek. The work shall consist of restoring bank slopes, installing bank stabilization materials, construction of a concrete abutment for the existing bridge, approach paving, and guardrail installation in the immediate vicinity of the bridge. BID DOCUMENTS: Copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of Butler, Fairman, and Seufert, Inc., 8450 Westfield Blvd., Suite 300, Indianapolis, IN 46240 (telephone 317-713-4615, fax 317-713-4616) for a non-refundable fee of $75 for either print or digital copies. Payment shall be by money order or check and shall be made payable to Butler, Fairman, and Seufert, Inc. Bids shall be properly and completely executed on Bid Forms and in the order as identified and contained in the Contract Documents obtainable from the offices as stated above. Each bid shall be accompanied by a completely filled out Form No. 96 (latest revision) and acceptable Bid Security. Any bid not accompanied by the above-required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive bid. No Bidder may withdraw his proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for the receiving of bids. The Owner reserves the right to retain any and all bids for a period of not more than 60 days and said bid shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The Owner further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the Contract to any Bidder all to the advantage of the County or to reject all bids. BID SECURITY: Each bid shall be accompanied by an acceptable certified check made payable to the Wabash County or an acceptable bid bond in the amount equal to 10% of the total bid price executed by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana and whose name appears on the current Treasury Department Circular 570. BONDS: A Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of 100% of the Contract price will be required from the Contractor to whom the work is awarded. INDIANA REQUIREMENTS: Standard Questionnaire Form 96 (latest revision), completely filled out and signed, including attachment of Contractor's Financial Statement as stipulated in Section III. CITY REQUIREMENTS: A prevailing wage scale will not be required for this project. PRE-BID CONFERENCE: No pre-bid conference is scheduled for the project. For the board Commissioners wabash county, indiana
By: Barry Eppley,
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3 BR 1305 S Boots St; $550/mo; tenant pays all utilities

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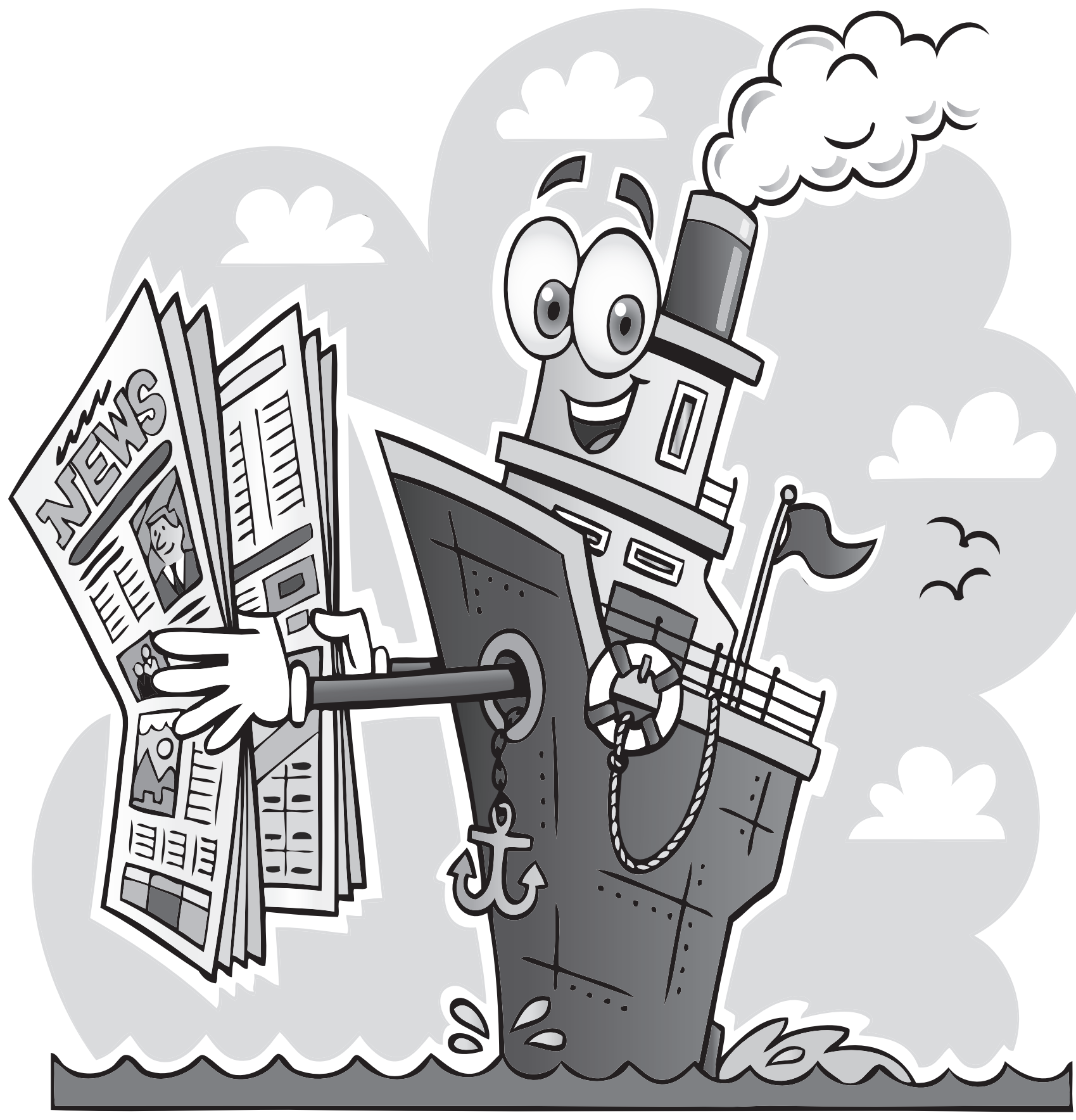

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